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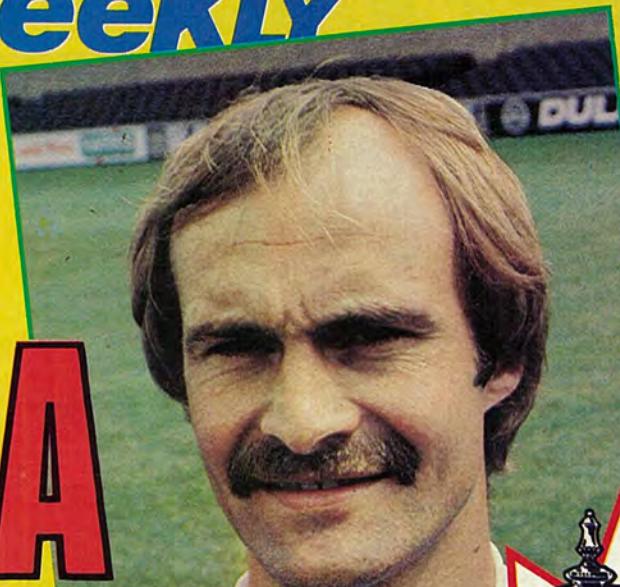
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THE MANCHESTER
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Can City take
United's crown?

WOLVES v SPURS,

RICHARDS v

'Memory of defeats will lift me'

DEFEAT in the FA Cup semi-finals is the worst feeling in football . . . I know because I've tasted it on two occasions.

The first was against Leeds in 1972 and the second was when Wolves lost to Arsenal two years ago.

It was a disastrous feeling. I was so depressed. I've never experienced anything so bad.

And if the memory of those two defeats doesn't lift me against Spurs on Saturday, then nothing will.

In contrast, of course, all the lads at Wolves know the wonderful feeling that goes with cup success.

Our victory over Nottingham Forest in last year's League Cup Final is still vivid in our minds.

And if anything the interest in the town for our forthcoming tie against Spurs is even greater than it was for that Wembley game.

When we first heard the draw the general

JOHN RICHARDS (Wolves)

feeling was one of relief that we had avoided Ipswich — the way they are going they have to be hot favourites to win the Cup.

But with so much at stake you are never going to get an easy match in a semi-final.

Both ourselves and Spurs are attacking sides and that could make for a good game, but it's not very often you get a 'classic' at this stage.

The most important thing is that we have been able to keep a settled side in the run-up to the match.

We seem to have been lifted by the added pressures that go with a cup match and I'm just hoping that we can continue that run on Saturday.

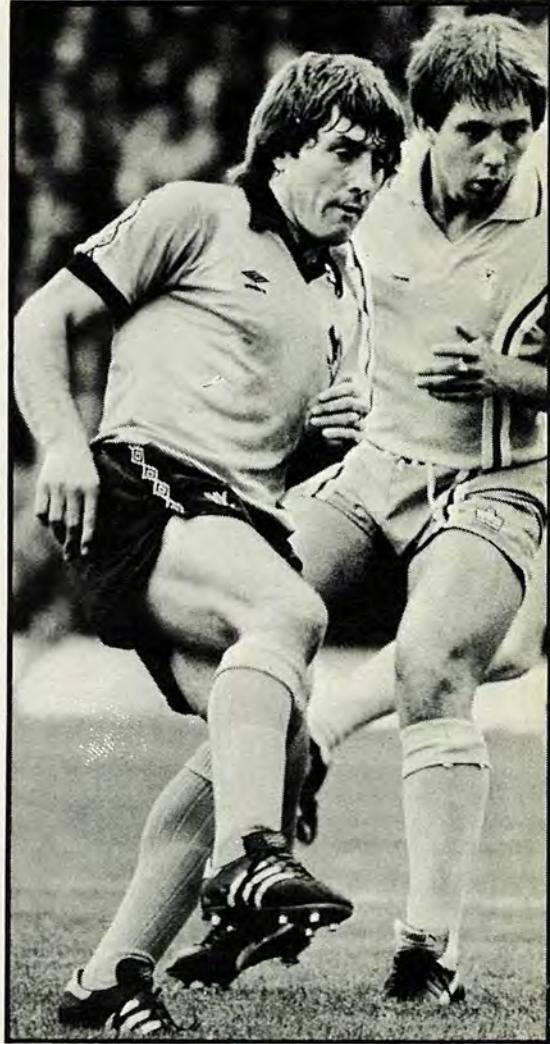
If we can keep tabs on the two Spurs strikers — Archibald and Crooks — it could win the game for us.

And while I know people have pointed at our defence as being a bit suspect our two central defenders, George Berry and John McAlle have both played well in all our cup matches so far.

If we can contain Spurs' attack then I think we have enough people going forward like Andy Gray, Mel Eves, myself and Kenny Hibbit . . . not forgetting our secret weapon Norman Bell . . .

We bring him on if we are trailing and if that happens Spurs might as well give in there and then!

In Ossie Ardiles and Glenn Hoddle, Spurs have two very skilful players who can create a lot of chances, but anything we might lack in individuality we make up for in the blend of our team as a whole.



Above: Wolves striker John Richards in action against Coventry: "If we bring Norman Bell on Spurs may as well give in."

HOW THEY GOT THERE

Wolves

Third Round:
STOKE (1) 2 (Chapman 30,
Bracewell 51)

WOLVES (2) 2 (Eves 28, Hibbit 38)
Att: 24,737

Star Man: Mel Eves.

Third Round Replay:

WOLVES (0) 2 (Eves 49, Hibbit 61)

STOKE (1) 1 (Heath 35)

Att: 22,892

Star Man: Kenny Hibbit.

Fourth Round:

WATFORD (1) 1 (Armstrong 44)

WOLVES (0) 1 (Richards 51)

Att: 24,228

Star Man: Andy Gray.

Fourth Round Replay:

WOLVES (0) 2 (Richards pen. 77,
Parkin 90)

WATFORD (0) 1 (Poskett 82)

Att: 30,854

Star Man: John Richards.

Fifth Round:

WOLVES (0) 3 (Bell 70, 73,
Richards 88)

WREXHAM (1) 1 (Fox 30)

Att: 33,782

Star Man: Andy Gray.

Sixth Round:

MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 1 (Cochrane 28)

WOLVES (1) 1 (Gray 8)

Att: 36,382

Star Man: George Berry.

Sixth Round Replay:

WOLVES (1) 3 (Eves 11, Richards 97, Bell 109)

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Hodgson 72)

(after extra time)

Att: 40,524

Star Man: John McAlle.

Spurs

Third Round:
QPR (0) 0

SPURS (0) 0

Att: 28,829

Star Man: Glenn Hoddle.

Third Round Replay:

SPURS (2) 3 (Crooks 29, Galvin 41,
Hoddle 85)

QPR (0) 1 (Stainrod 47)

Att: 36,294

Star Man: Glenn Hoddle.

Fourth Round:

SPURS (0) 2 (Brooke 84, Archibald 89)

HULL (0) 0

Att: 37,432

Star Man: Glenn Hoddle.

Fifth Round:

SPURS (2) 3 (Ardiles 16, Archibald 33, Hughton 77)

COVENTRY (1) 1 (English 41)

Att: 26,688

Star Man: Steve Archibald.

Sixth Round:

SPURS (0) 2 (Roberts 62, Miller 74)

EXETER (0) 0

Att: 40,629

Star Man: Steve Perryman.

FRONT COVER:

The one-club men who hope to play in the 100th FA Cup Final. — Top: Mick Mills (left) and Joe Corrigan. Bottom: Steve Perryman (left) and Geoff Palmer.

What the stars say:



PETER NICHOLAS (Arsenal)

REPLAYS will be required in both ties and I'm taking Ipswich to win theirs 2-1. Their power in midfield and attack will eventually grind down less experienced City. The other semi-final will be just as tight. Tottenham may be higher in the League, but Wolves are a good cup side. As a London-based player I'm hoping it's Tottenham that get to the final.

KEVIN DILLON (Birmingham)

WOLVES played well against us recently with Gray and Richards in tremendous form and I think they will be too good for the Tottenham defence.

Berry and McAlle are looking solid at the back and if they can get a grip of Archibald and Crooks then I fancy Wolves to win 1-0.

You can't bet against Ipswich the way they are playing, although I can see City getting a goal. We were disappointed with City when we played them and I think Ipswich will prove the better side in the end by 2-1.

HILLSBOROUGH

HODDLE

'Archibald, Crooks hold the key'

STEVE ARCHIBALD and Garth Crooks... these are two good reasons why I'm confident Spurs can get the right result against Wolves on Saturday.

While everyone in the side has played their own part, in the end it's goals that win matches.

And in that department our front two take some beating.

Both of them are scoring goals and I believe, getting good service from the players behind them.

And while Wolves have a more than useful partnership up front themselves, I believe they'll be more worried about Steve and Garth than we are about Andy Gray and John Richards.

Whatever happens, Spurs will never have a better chance of reaching Wembley and while I can't see it being a high scoring

GLENN HODDLE (Spurs)

game — 2-1 or even 1-0 could be enough — I'm sure it will be an interesting tie.

Wolves play a lot of long balls into the middle and Andy Gray goes for anything in the air.

It's not always pretty to watch, but it's effective.

We don't play that way because we don't have the big fellas up front, but I think we can handle it.

For me, the big danger in the Wolves midfield is Kenny Hibbett who is always likely to pop up with a goal — as he showed against Stoke earlier in the competition.

Willie Carr came back into the side alongside him recently and he's one of those good players who make others around him play well.

The Wolves defence is one without any real individual stars and while the back four play well as a unit we think we can cause them a few problems on our day.

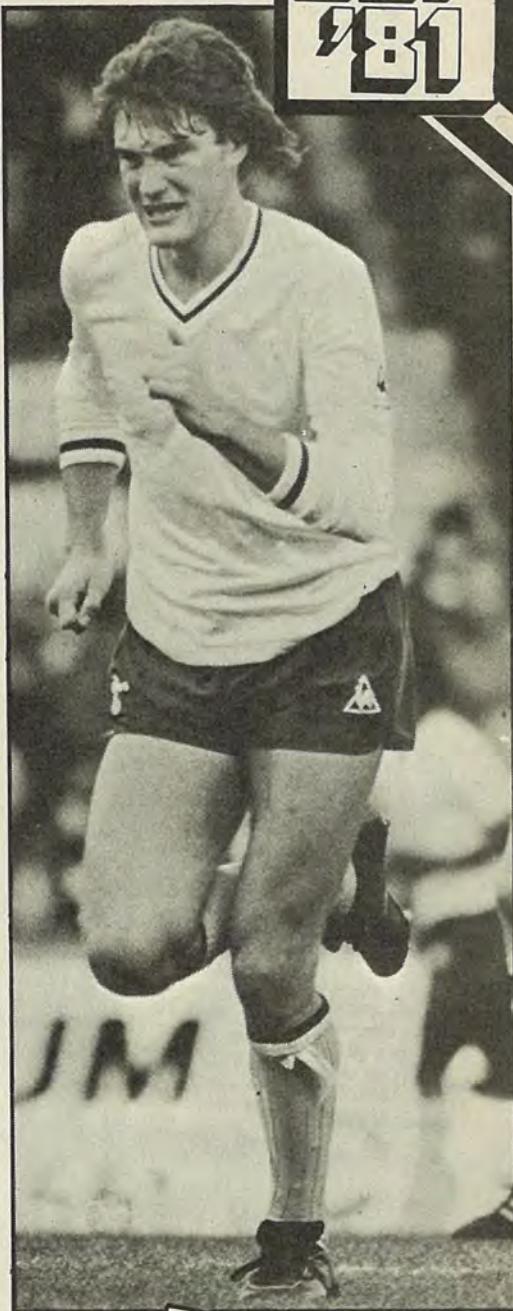
Whereas Wolves won the League Cup last season, Spurs haven't enjoyed success for a while and that's an added incentive for us.

For me personally it will be my first semi-final.

It makes the game a bit special and while it's hard not to think how terrible it must feel to lose in the semi's, I'll be trying to keep that out of my mind as much as possible.

It's all about 90 minutes on the day. I just hope we can all put it together when it matters and make my first visit to Hillsborough a happy one.

Right: Glenn Hoddle: "Spurs will never have a better chance of reaching Wembley."



'CITY FOR AN UPSET'

MANCHESTER CITY could upset the form book and beat Ipswich in the other semi-final... if they can really put their game together on the day.

So much depends on how City play and they must play well to win. They could do it although I wouldn't be surprised to see it go to a replay.

The key players for City are Paul Power who makes some great runs from midfield and Kevin Reeves up front — when he's on song the side seems to tick.

Steve Coppell (Man Utd)

I'M going for a Wembley feast by predicting an Ipswich v Spurs Cup Final.

The key to Spurs clash with Wolves will be how Lacy and Miller handle the well-tuned partnership of Gray and Richards. They must keep them quiet.

Spurs will have to really compete with Wolves and I think they can... running out 2-1 winners with goals from Hoddle and Archibald.

As for the other tie, City did well to knock out Everton, but I don't think they can stifle the talented Ipswich midfield, for whom Mariner will score the only goal!



STAN CUMMINS (Sunderland)

WE FELT the full force of Ipswich recently although their 4-1 win rather flattered them, but they are playing well enough to win the Cup. It may prove a tight affair with Ipswich getting home 1-0.

Spurs could have a bit more breathing space against Wolves with Archibald, Crooks and Hoddle in form. They are a classier and more skilful side and I take them to win 2-0.

WOLVES midfielder Kenny Hibbett has worn the same suit for each of his club's FA Cup games this season... just for luck. And he's made his wife wear the same jumper at each tie. Superstitious? You bet he is!

HERE's the FA Cup record of the four semi-finalists since the last war.

	Wins	Defeats
Tottenham	72	32
Wolves	61	33
Ipswich	53	35
Man. City	51	33

MANCHESTER CITY v IPSWICH, V

**KEVIN
REEVES
(Man City)
says . . .**

'We're determined to reach Wembley'

THERE'S no doubt we've got the toughest task of all the semi-finalists.

Ipswich have taken over from Liverpool this season and I rate them the best team in the country. Some of their performances have been breathtaking.

The Ipswich midfield has been taking much of the credit for their form, but I believe they are just as strong in the other departments.

Young central defenders, Russell Osman and Terry Butcher have impressed me particularly. They've struck up a good understanding.

Up front Paul Mariner has been among the goals and the form of Eric Gates has been an important factor.

But on the day at Villa Park nerves will play a big part and decide what sort of tie it will be.

On paper it looks like an open-

IN THE League Cup, Wolves defeated Tottenham 1-0 in a Second Round match in 1969-70, but Spurs got revenge in 1973 when they won 4-3 on aggregate in the Semi-Finals and went on to beat Norwich 1-0 in the Final.

attacking game, but with Wembley just 90 minutes away you can't tell what effect it will have on the players.

That's where John Bond's signings, Tommy Hutchison, Gerry Gow and Bobby McDonald will play an important part. Their experience should have a stabilising effect on the younger players in our team.

Tommy's contribution since he joined us from Coventry has been tremendous. He's added width up front, he's a great passer of the ball and he can slow the game down.

Gerry Gow's also been an important factor in the City revival. He's added the extra bite and aggression we lacked in midfield.

We're all determined to get to Wembley after getting so close to the League Cup Final. It was very disappointing to lose in the semi-final to Liverpool and we'd love to make amends.

I reckon that Wolves could sneak a win over Spurs in the other semi-final. I rate Spurs going forward, but Wolves are a typical cup fighting team and I wouldn't be surprised to see them at Wembley in May — with us of course!

HOW THEY GOT THERE

MANCHESTER CITY

Third Round:

MAN CITY (0) 4 (Reeves 18, Gow 25, Mackenzie 74, Bennett 79),
CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
Att: 39,347
Star Man: Nicky Reid.

Fourth Round:

MAN CITY (2) 6 (Reeves 18, Gow 25, Mackenzie 74, Bennett 79,
Power 82, McDonald 90),
NORWICH (0) 0
Att: 38,919
Star Man: Gerry Gow.

Fifth Round:

PETERBOROUGH (0) 0
MAN CITY (1) 1 (Booth 42)
Att: 27,789
Star Man: Tommy Hutchison.

Sixth Round:

EVERTON (1) 2 (Eastoe 42, Ross 48)
MAN CITY (1) 2 (Gow 45, Power 84)
Att: 52,791
Star Man: Gerry Gow.

Sixth Round Replay:

MAN CITY (0) 3 (McDonald 65, 67, Power 85)
EVERTON (0) 1 (Eastoe 89)
Att: 52,532
Star Man: Paul Power.

IPSWICH

Third Round:

IPSWICH (1) 1 (Mariner 14),
ASTON VILLA (0) 0
Att: 27,721
Star Man: Terry Butcher.

Fourth Round:

SHREWSBURY (0) 0
IPSWICH (0) 0
Att: 18,000
Star Man: Russell Osman.

Fourth Round Replay:

IPSWICH (1) 3 (Gates 21, 51, Wark 69),
SHREWSBURY (0) 0
Att: 27,543
Star Man: Eric Gates.

Fifth Round:

IPSWICH (0) 2 (Wark 56, Mariner 88),
CHARLTON (0) 0
Att: 30,221
Star Man: Eric Gates.

Sixth Round:

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (2) 3 (Francis 24,
Walsh 41, Robertson, pen. 51),
IPSWICH (2) 3 (Mariner 14, Anderson 0-0,
23, Thijssen 83)
Att: 34,796
Star Man: Alan Brazil.

Sixth Round Replay:

IPSWICH (0) 1 (Muhren 67),
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0
Att: 31,060
Star Man: Frans Thijssen.



IPSWICH and Manchester City have only met once before in the FA Cup. That was in 1967 when City won 3-0 at Portman Road in a Fifth Round Replay after a 1-1 draw at Maine Road.

★ ★ ★

SIXTY years ago Tottenham defeated Wolves 1-0 in the FA Cup Final at Stamford Bridge, the winning goal coming from England international Jimmy Dimmock.

Left: Gerry Gow — a major influence in the City midfield, says Paul Mariner.



IPSWICH and Manchester City have clashed twice in the Football League Cup, with honours even. In 1961-62, Ipswich won a First Round home tie 4-2, while Manchester City gained revenge in a Fourth Round clash in 1977-78, winning 2-1 at Portman Road.

★ ★ ★

TOTTENHAM and Wolves last met in the FA Cup in 1969 when Spurs won a Fourth Round tie 2-1 at White Hart Lane.

VILLA PARK, BIRMINGHAM

MARINER

FA
CUP
'81

'Optimism tinged with caution'

WE'RE confident of getting to Wembley again. You've got to be at this stage of the FA Cup.

But our optimism at Ipswich is tinged with an air of caution.

Manchester City are probably the most improved team in the country and we certainly would have preferred Tottenham or Wolves.

It's going to be a very hard, tight battle at Villa Park and I wouldn't think City are relishing the prospect either.

We may be above them in the League, but that is no guide. Semi-finals are a nerve-wracking experience and even the top players can freeze.

And there is pressure. You are just 90 minutes away from Wembley and you know that nobody remembers the losing semi-finalists.

Having reached the League Cup semi-final this season, Manchester City will be extra keen to make it to Wembley.

John Bond has done a fantastic job at Maine Road since moving from Norwich in October.

They were virtually doomed to

PAUL
MARINER
(Ipswich)
says . . .

relegation when he arrived, but he has bought experienced players like Tommy Hutchison, Phil Boyer, Gerry Gow and Bobby McDonald, and now people believe they could be a major force in the First Division.

We noticed the big change in the team when we drew there earlier this year.

One of the big dangermen will be Kevin Reeves. I have always had a high regard for Kevin and since his old boss from Norwich joined him, he has rediscovered his best form.

Gerry Gow is proving a major influence in midfield where he provides the steel and experience to supplement the skills of teenager Steve Mackenzie.

People say their defence lacks experience. But goalkeeper Joe Corrigan is one of the country's top 'keepers; Ray Ranson has plenty of games to his credit and I have always rated left back Bobby McDonald.

At the centre of the defence Nicky Reid and Tommy Caton could develop into one of the most formidable pairings in the country.

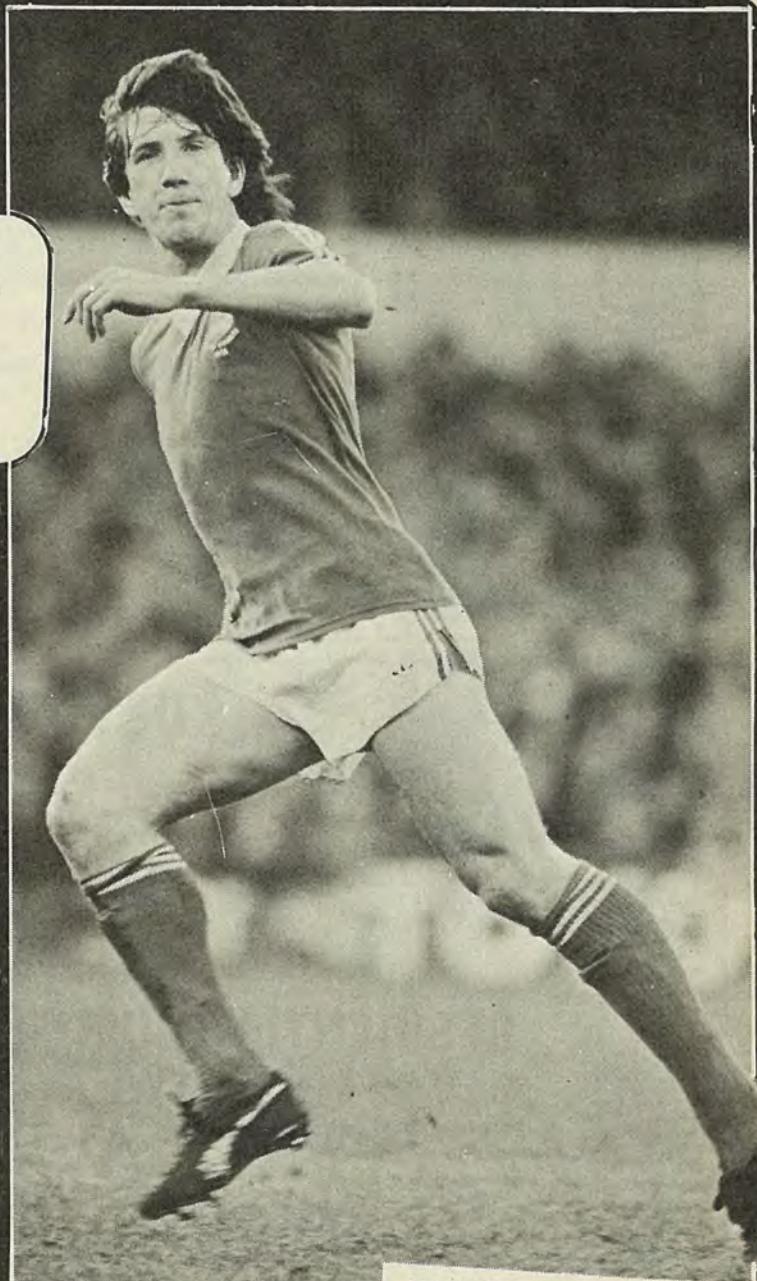
So all in all it's going to be a tough battle, but I hope that with so many of our players now used to the big occasion, that our experience will see us through.

SPURS

I'M going for Tottenham to defeat Wolves in the other semi-final.

If they show the same kind of commitment and fight they

Left: Terry Butcher — he's formed an impressive partnership at the heart of the Ipswich defence with Russell Osman, says Man City's Kevin Reeves.



produced against us recently then I think they will carry too many guns for Wolves.

They have some tremendous midfield players capable of creating chances for the likes of Steve Archibald and Garth Crooks.

Wolves also have a powerful strike force in John Richards and Andy Gray and it's going to be a question of who can create the most chances and on that score I think Tottenham will win.

MANCHESTER City and England 'keeper Joe Corrigan has special reason to remember Ipswich . . . he made his league debut against them in 1969. But Joe, who's made over 400 league appearances for the Maine Road club, is hoping for a better result this time. His team lost 2-1 that day.

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TOTTENHAM and Wolves clashed in the 1972 UEFA Cup Final, the London side winning 3-2 on aggregate after winning the first leg 2-1 at Molineux.



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"MUST BE IPSWICH" — say United pair

"IT'S got to be Ipswich's title" . . . that's the view of the player who brought an end their long unbeaten run, Manchester United's Jimmy Nicholl. The Northern Ireland fullback scored a cracking winner in United's shock 2-1 victory.

"I know people are saying they're going to get bogged down with so many fixtures . . . but I honestly believe it's to their advantage," says Nicholl.

"If you're playing together so often then the understanding between players is bound to improve . . . it's just like playing twice a week in training. I think it's got to be their title."

"We went to Villa recently, and drew 3-3, and to be perfectly honest there were only a couple of players that caught my eye, Gordon Cowans and Kenny Swain."

"But Ipswich have definitely got the upper hand on them." A view echoed by Nicholl's United team-mate, Gordon McQueen: "I still take Ipswich to win the title . . . but I'm sure it won't be settled until the last game or two."

Pen Pals

I AM a 15-year-old Sunderland supporter
who would like a London-based pen pal
who supports Tottenham.
Graham Shafts, 46 Stansfield Street,
Roker, Sunderland.

I AM a supporter of Southampton and
would like a pen pal between 13 and 16
who support either Liverpool or Everton.
Mark Vaughan, 12 Grosvenor Gardens,
West End, Southampton.

I AM a 16-year-old Liverpool supporter
who would like a pen pal who supports
Liverpool or Wimbledon. I like all other
sports as well as modern music.
Elizabeth Jackson, 27 Dukes Avenue,
New Malden, Surrey.

I AM 12-years-old and would like a pen
pal of about my age who supports
Leicester or Derby. I also collect stamps
and like Madness and Specials.
David Adey, 8 Shellbrook Close,
Shellbrook, Ashby-de-la-Zouch,
Leicester.

I WOULD like a pen pal between 13 and
15 who supports Ipswich Town.
Jacqueline Murkin, 24 Dash End,
Kedington, Haverhill, Suffolk.

I WOULD like a pen pal aged 11 or 12. I
support Glasgow Rangers and Liverpool.
Scot McMillan, 82 Seafield Rows,
Seafield, By Bathgate, West Lothian,
Scotland.

NAME'S THE SAME

THE fact that Stoke City have two players named Paul Johnson on their pay roll will ring a bell with those fans who have long memories. West Bromwich Albion used to have two Bill Richardsons, Grimsby Town two Charlie Wilsons and Newport County two players named Bill Owen. In the fifties Bradford City had two Johnny Millars . . . and it often happened that one drew the other's pay packet in error.



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Decorator McGovern

OVER the past few seasons John McGovern has had every reason to paint the town red as he led Nottingham Forest to victory in two successive European Cup Finals.

But since the end of January, the Forest skipper has been spending his time painting his new home while recovering from a nagging calf injury.

And in the meantime he has seen young pretenders like Stuart Gray and Colin Walsh operating impressively in his midfield role.

"It's been really frustrating, but at least I've been able to do those painting jobs around the house," he says.

"In my whole career, I've never spent so long on the sidelines . . . and I'm not enjoying it."

Irish in charge

THERE are plenty of Scots in charge of Football League teams, but when it comes to Irishmen clubs seem loathe to appoint them.

The only two Irish managers are Terry Neill at Arsenal and Tranmere's Bryan Hamilton.



Forest's John McGovern — brushing up on his skills!

Match Chat

Compiled by Bob Wartes

DEBUT SUBS

MARTIN O'Neill (Norwich), Carl Harris (Leeds), Archie Gemmill (Birmingham), Terry Hibbitt (Newcastle), Dennis Rose (Chelsea) and Joe Mayo (Orient) all have one thing in common . . . they all scored on their League debuts after coming on as substitutes.

WARK'S RECORD BID

IPSWICH'S John Wark is on course to beat an 18-year-old European record.

His 11 goals in the U.E.F.A. Cup this season has put him just three behind the record held by AC Milan's Jose Altafini since the 1962-63 European Cup.

And John will have four more matches in the competition, providing Ipswich overcome FC Cologne in the semi-finals.

Americans face world's best

NEW YORK Cosmos and Seattle Sounders are to represent the North American Soccer League in the second Trans-Atlantic Challenge Cup against two of the finest clubs from the rest of the soccer world.

The competition will be staged in July with the two foreign teams being selected at a later date.

Last season Cosmos won the event which featured Manchester City, Italy's Roma and Vancouver Whitecaps.

Kerr's promise to Whymark

GRIMSBY manager George Kerr has promised former England and Ipswich striker Trevor Whymark he will let him go if a First Division club comes in with an offer.

Meanwhile Whymark is quite happy at Grimsby — especially now that his wife and three children have settled in the area.

Says Trevor: "I like it at Grimsby. I'm more settled now and we have a good team. The spirit is tremendous."

Perhaps Trevor will get First Division football . . . with Grimsby!

Coventry City

KNOW YOUR CLUB

YEAR FORMED: 1883.

NICKNAME: 'Sky Blues'.

ADDRESS: Highfield Road,

Coventry. Telephone: 57171.

GROUND CAPACITY: 38,000.

RECORD ATTENDANCE: 51,455 v

Wolves, Division Two, April 29, 1967.

RECORD RECEIPTS: £68,029 v West Ham, League Cup semi-final, Jan. 27,

1981.

PITCH MEASUREMENTS: 110 yards by 75 yards.

LEAGUE RECORD: 1919 elected to Division Two; 1925-26 Division Three (North); 1926-33 Division Three (South); 1936-52 Division Two; 1952-58 Division Three (South); 1958-59 Division Four; 1959-64 Division Three; 1964-67 Division Two; 1967-81 Division One.

HONOURS: Football League Division One highest position: 1969-70 (sixth). Division Two champions: 1966-67. Division Three

champions: 1963-64. Division Three (South) champions: 1935-36; runners-up: 1933-34. Division Four runners-up: 1958-59. FA Cup best season: 1962-63, 1966-67, 1972-73 (sixth round). League Cup best season: 1980-81 semi-finals.

RECORD VICTORY: 9-0 v Bristol City, Division Three (South), April 28, 1934.

RECORD DEFEAT: 2-10 v Norwich, Division Three (South), March 15, 1930.

MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 60 Division Four, 1958-59, and Division Three 1963-64.

MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 108, Division Three (South), 1931-32.

HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER — IN SEASON: Clarrie Bourton, 1931-37.

MOST GOALS IN TOTAL AGGREGATE: 171, Clarrie Bourton, 1931-37.

MOST CAPPED PLAYER: Dave Clements, 21 (48 in total), Northern Ireland.

MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES:

George Curtis, 486, 1956-70.

RECORD TRANSFER FEE RECEIVED: £365,000 from Portland Timbers, for



Coventry's bustling striker Garry Thompson.

Gary Collier, March 1980

RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID: £325,000 to Bristol City for Gary Collier, July 1979.

MANAGERS SINCE THE WAR: Dick Bayliss, Billy Frith, Harry Storer, Jack Fairbrother, Jesse Carver, Harry Warren, Billy Frith, Jimmy Hill, Noel Cantwell, Bob Dennison, Gordon Milne (current).

ADDRESS OF SUPPORTERS CLUB: Freehold Street, Coventry.

CHELSEA WON'T GO UP!

CHELSEA won't get promotion to the First Division this season, says their former striker Tommy Langley.

Tommy, who joined doomed Crystal Palace after six unhappy months at Queens Park Rangers, expects to be playing against his old Stamford Bridge team-mates in the Second Division next season.

"They lack the experienced players to go up — I reckon QPR stand more chance of promotion," said Tommy.

"At the moment Chelsea are short of one or two key players — especially in midfield.

"It's a pity Colin Viljoen is in dispute with the club because his vast midfield experience could have done wonders for youngsters like Mick Fillery, Ian Britton and John Bustead."

Tommy left Chelsea at the



Crystal Palace's new signing Tommy Langley:

beginning of the season after 12 years and over 130 appearances for the club.

"They've got some very good players on their books. Although he's erratic I rate Petar Borota as one of the best 'keeper's in the country."



The wonder of Wembley

by first-timer John Lukic

FOR JOHN Lukic, his first ever visit to Wembley was as England's substitute goalkeeper against Spain.

The 20-year-old Leeds United star had never been interested in going to the world famous stadium . . . that is until England manager Ron Greenwood's eleventh hour call for his services to replace flu victim Peter Shilton.

The England Under-21 international explains: "The time factor has always put me off going to Wembley before."

"It's a long trip down from my home in Derbyshire particularly when I have to train in Leeds the next day."

But this never to be forgotten landmark in his young career lived up to all expectations.

"It's a real eye opener. There's a certain atmosphere and aura about the place even before you get into the stadium.

"When we walked out of the tunnel the atmosphere was unbelievable.

"I imagine you feel the atmosphere even more when you are on the park."

John, born of Yugoslav parents, can probably expect plenty more trips to Wembley in the future as the possible successor to Ray Clemence and Peter Shilton.

But he's keeping his feet firmly on the ground: "I'm not looking any further than the next game."

"Obviously I was pleasantly surprised to be called into the senior squad, but I know it was only

SPOTLIGHT on one of the country's brightest young prospects who talks to Match about his call up to the full England side.

because of Peter Shilton's illness and the absence of Joe Corrigan.

"It was just a one-off situation, but one from which I have gained some valuable experience, particularly from being involved with Ray Clemence.

"Obviously the 1986 World Cup is in the back of my mind, but I also realise that one has to earn a place in any England squad so all I'm concerned about at the moment is to keep playing well."

Whatever the reasons for his dramatic call, it's a meteoric rise to the top for the youngster who less than 18 months ago was still in the wings at Elland Road as understudy to Scotland's David Harvey.

"I owe a great deal to David who has probably been the biggest influence on my career," says John.

"He made me aware of certain aspects of goalkeeping and pointed out things which only someone on the outside could have spotted."

John's home town of Chesterfield has a tradition of producing top class goalkeepers. England's Gordon Banks and Scotland's Bob Wilson are just two international products . . . maybe John will be the next.

Left: Leeds United goalkeeper John Lukic: "There's a certain atmosphere about Wembley even before you get inside the stadium."



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RANGERS TO GO ALL THE WAY

- ***** CAN CELTIC land their eleventh League and FA Cup double?
- ***** Can RANGERS salvage their season by reaching their sixth successive final?
- ***** Can DUNDEE UNITED take a step nearer an astonishing League Cup and FA Cup double? Or can MORTON reach their first FA Cup final for 33 years?
- ***** These are the fascinating questions Scottish fans are asking as these four Premier Division teams clash head on in Saturday's semi-finals... Celtic v Dundee United, Rangers v Morton.
- ***** Scotland and Aberdeen's star defender Alex McLeish has played against all four this season and believes he has the answers in this exclusive preview for Match Weekly.

CELTIC may be on the point of taking our Scottish Premier Division championship, but I fancy Dundee United to upset them on Saturday.

In the past, United used to let the occasion get the better of them when playing the likes of Celtic and Rangers, but now they are able to compete with the best as they showed in winning the League Cup for the second year running.

They have a lot of variety in attack with Paul Sturrock and Davie Dodds and I think that Celtic's concentration may be split between the League title and the Cup — and this may boost United.

In the other tie, I fancy Rangers to rise to the occasion and knock out Morton.

Alex McLeish... tips Rangers for the cup.

HOW THEY GOT THERE

CELTIC:

Third Round: Berwick 0, Celtic 2 (Nicholas, Burns). Fourth: Celtic 3 (McGarvey, McCluskey, Burns), Stirling Albion 0. Fifth: Celtic 2 (Conroy, McLeod), East Stirling 0.

RANGERS

Third: Airdrie 0, Rangers 5 (Stevens, Redford, Bett, Johnson). Fourth: St. Johnstone 3 (Docherty, Brogan 2), Rangers 3 (McAdam, Redford 2). Replay: Rangers 3 (McAdam 2, Stevens), St. Johnstone 1 (McCoist). Fifth: Rangers 3 (Russell, McAdam, McDonald), Hibernian 1 (McNamara).

DUNDEE UNITED

Third: Brechin 1 (Patterson), Dundee United 2 (Dodds, Kirkwood). Fourth: Dundee U 1 (Addison), Partick Thistle 0. Fifth: Dundee U 6 (Dodds 3, Sturrock, Kirkwood, Narey), Motherwell 1 (Soutar).

MORTON

Third: Morton 0, Hearts 0. Replay: Hearts 1 (MacDonald), Morton 3 (Tolmie, Rooney, Thompson). Fourth: Morton 1 (Ritchie), Aberdeen 0. Fifth: Morton 0, Clydebank 0. Replay: Clydebank 0, Morton 6 (Thomson 3, McNeil, Rooney, Tolmie).

says **ALEX McLEISH (Aberdeen)**

The Greenock side put us out of the Cup and deserved to on the day, but Rangers with Willie Johnston, Ian Redford and Jim Bett in good form are at their most dangerous when the chips are down.

They are having a lean time by their standards and the Cup could be their only passage into Europe, now.

So I'm going for a Rangers v Dundee United final, with the Ibrox lads my winning tip.



Former Scottish international Willie Johnston, Ranger's tricky winger.



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The

KENNY DALGLISH

LIVERPOOL WERE ON TOP OF THE REPLAY AT OLD TRAFFORD, BUT IN THE DYING MINUTES PHIL THOMPSON TRIPPED JOHN O'HARE ON THE EDGE OF THE PENALTY AREA...



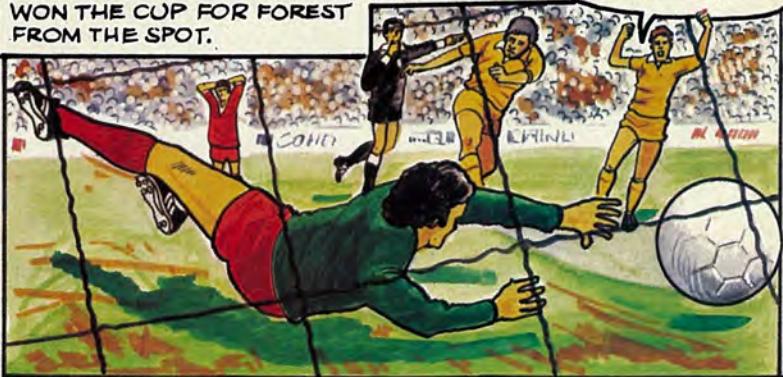
THE STORY SO FAR... KENNY DALGLISH HAS JOINED LIVERPOOL FROM CELTIC & AFTER SCORING A HAT TRICK AGAINST WREXHAM IN THE QUARTER-FINALS. HE HAS HELPED LIVERPOOL TO THEIR FIRST LEAGUE CUP FINAL.

WITH PETER SHILTON CUP-TIED, OPPONENTS NOTTINGHAM FOREST BROUGHT IN YOUNG KEEPER CHRIS WOODS WHO WAS IN SPARKLING FORM. HE WAS BEATEN ONLY ONCE - BY A TERRY McDERMOTT SHOT - BUT KENNY WAS RULED OFFSIDE.



... LIVERPOOL PROTESTED THAT THE INCIDENT HAPPENED OUTSIDE THE AREA BUT REFEREE PAT PARTRIDGE RULED IT WAS INSIDE & PENALTY SPECIALIST JOHN ROBERTSON WON THE CUP FOR FOREST FROM THE SPOT.

THAT'S IT
HE NEVER MISSES

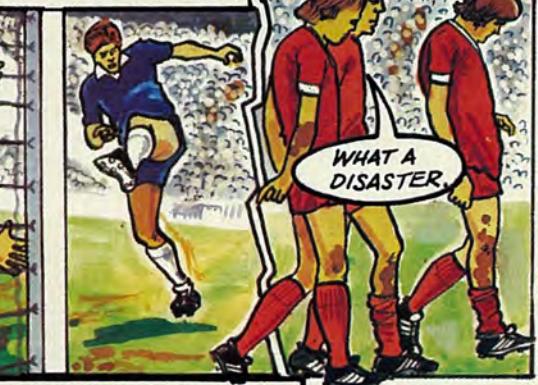


ALSO THAT SEASON KENNY CAME UP AGAINST KEVIN KEEGAN WHO HAD AN UNHAPPY RETURN TO ANFIELD - HIS NEW CLUB HAMBURG LOSING 6-0 IN THE SUPER CUP FINAL SECOND LEG... KENNY SCORING THE FINAL GOAL.

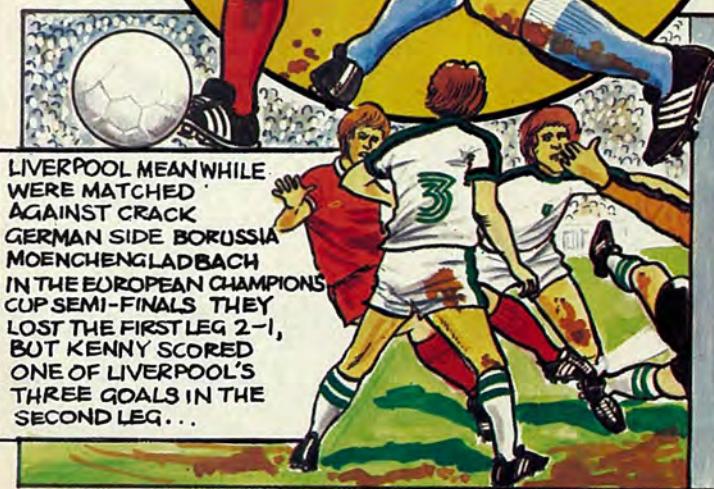


BUT IT WAS NOT ALL CUP SUCCESS FOR LIVERPOOL AS THEY FOUND OUT AT STAMFORD BRIDGE...

... WHEN CLIVE WALKER SCORED TWICE IN CHELSEA'S 4-2 THIRD ROUND SHOCK WIN.



& EXCHANGED SHIRTS WITH GERMAN INTERNATIONAL RAINER BONHOFF AT THE END.



LIVERPOOL MEANWHILE WERE MATCHED AGAINST CRACK GERMAN SIDE BORUSSIA MOENCHENGLADBACH IN THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS CUP SEMI-FINALS. THEY LOST THE FIRST LEG 2-1, BUT KENNY SCORED ONE OF LIVERPOOL'S THREE GOALS IN THE SECOND LEG...

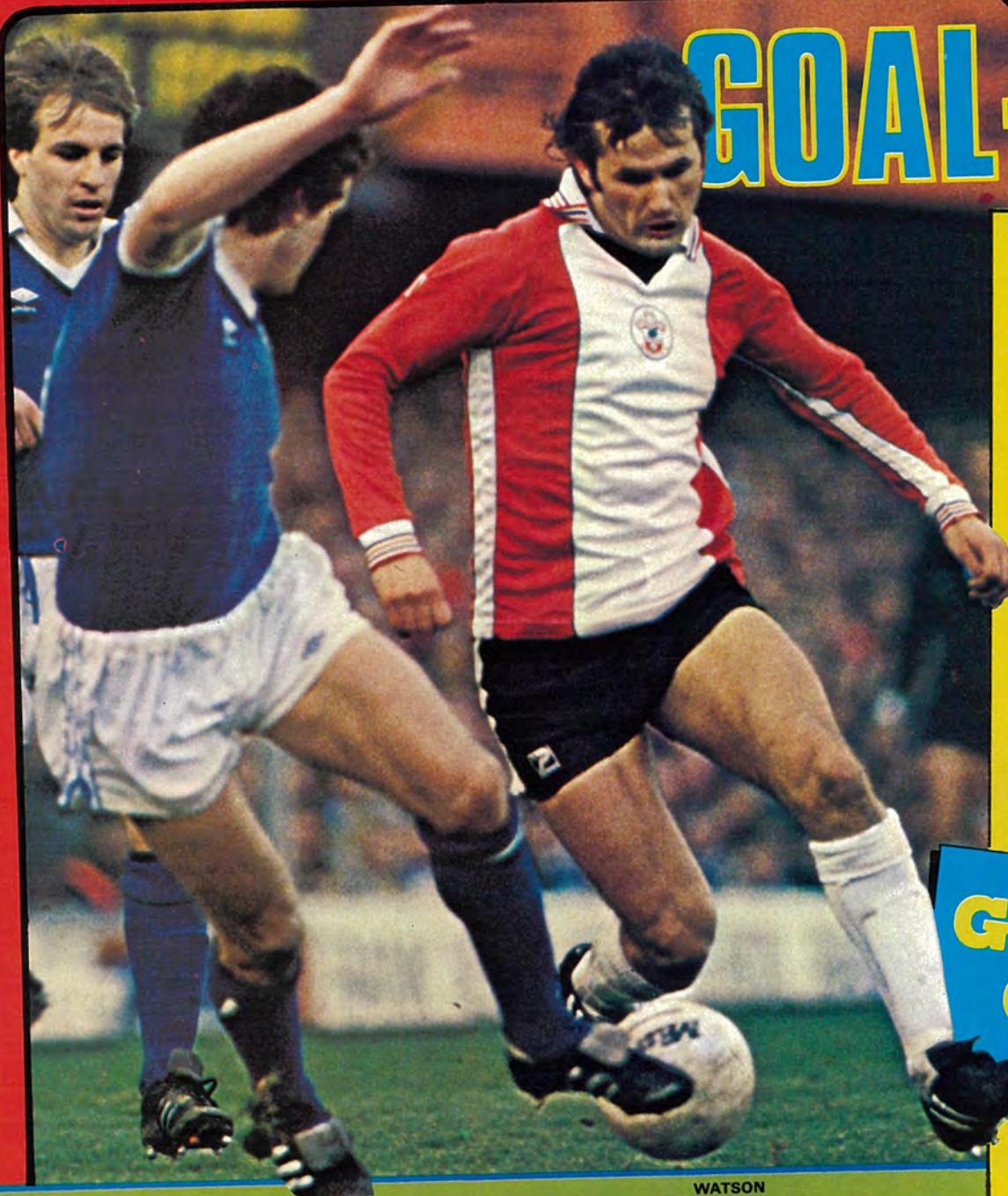


GOOD LUCK IN THE FINAL, KENNY

NEXT WEEK

KENNY'S GREATEST MOMENT

STORY BOB WARTERS
GRAPHICS BARRY GIBSON



GOAL-AC!

SAINT IVAN'S BEST EVER

Ivan Golac
(Southampton) v West Bromwich Albion
Football League
Division One, The Dell, February 21,
1981.

THERE'S a tiny patch of English soil on the corner of the penalty area at Southampton which Jugoslav international full-back Ivan Golac plans to claim as his own personal property.

"It's incredible", he told Match. "That goal against Albion was the second this season I have scored from the very same spot.

GOLDEN GOAL

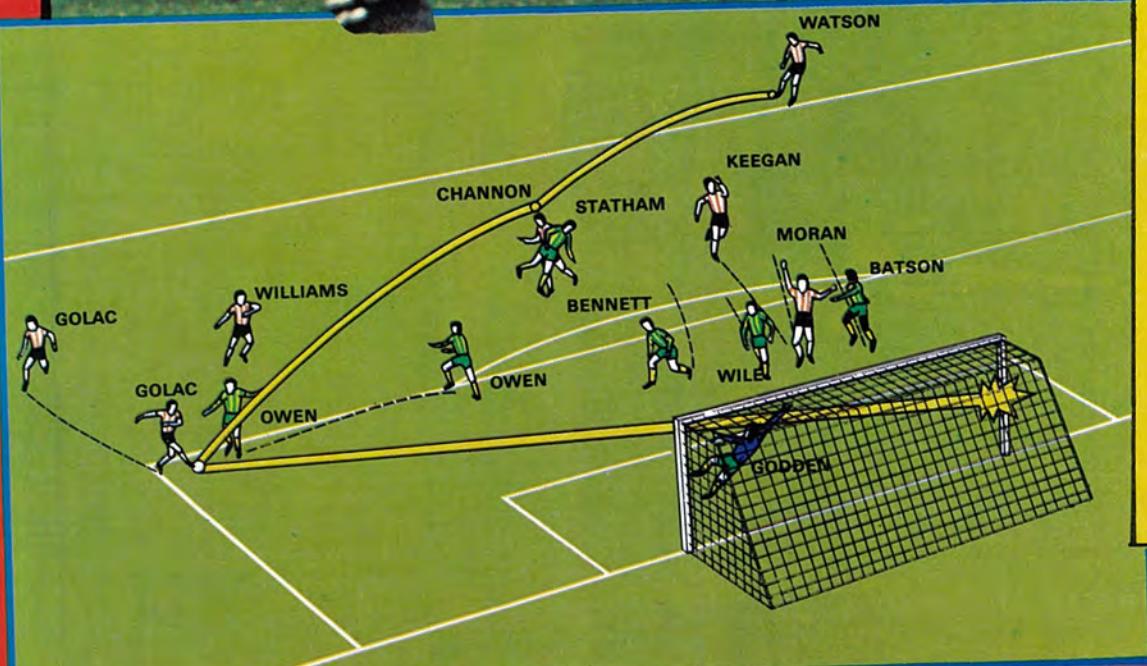
"I couldn't believe it when I played back my video recording of the game. It was scored from the very same place as the one against Aston Villa in October.

"But the one against Albion was my best ever. Dave Watson hit a long ball towards the area and I called 'Hey Micky' to let Mick Channon know I was moving up behind him.

"He went up with Statham and flicked it on to me and I hit it first time as Gary Owen tried to block it.

"I didn't wait to see it hit the back of the net. I just turned to the crowd, I knew it had beaten Tony Godden. It was a great feeling."

Pictured: Saints' attacking full-back Ivan Golac in typical action taking on Everton's John Bailey and Eamon O'Keefe.



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Joe's our man!

MANCHESTER United's Scottish striker Joe Jordan, whose star performances last month helped revitalise the famous club's flagging fortunes, is the First Division's 'Matchman of the Month' for March.

Joe, who scored three goals as United stayed unbeaten in the month, had an average mark of 8.00.

He scored two goals in the thrilling 3-0 draw at Aston Villa and bagged the winner at Everton. During the month United also held Nottingham Forest and toppled treble chasing Ipswich.

Joe finished ahead of Aston Villa pair Dennis Mortimer, the inspirational skipper, and goalkeeper Jimmy Rimmer and Stoke City's keeper Peter Fox.



FIRST DIVISION

Player	Club	Games	Aver
Joe Jordan	Man Utd	4	8.00
Peter Fox	Stoke	4	7.75
Jimmy Rimmer	Aston Villa	4	7.75
Dennis Mortimer	Aston Villa	4	7.75
Paul Power	Man City	6	7.50
Garry Brooke	Tottenham	4	7.50
Barry Siddall	Sunderland	4	7.50
Kenny Sansom	Arsenal	4	7.50
Stan Cummins	Sunderland	4	7.50



TOP RATE RANGER

GERRY Francis' return to Queen's Park Rangers from Crystal Palace is marked by his success in the Second Division awards.

The former England skipper received the star rating in three of the London Club's four matches last month to earn an average mark of 8.25.

That put him well clear of two goalkeepers, Orient's Mervyn Day and Grimsby's Nigel Batch.



SECOND DIVISION

Gerry Francis	Q.P.R.	4	8.25
Nigel Batch	Grimsby	4	7.66
Mervyn Day	Orient	4	7.60
Roy McFarland	Derby	4	7.50
Billy Ronson	Cardiff	4	7.50
Trevor Brooking	West Ham	5	7.40
Billy Bonds	West Ham	5	7.40



STAR OAKES

NEWPORT skipper Keith Oakes, a key figure in the Welsh club's battling performances in the European Cup Winners' Cup this season, is the Third Division winner.

He had an average mark of 8.00 from three matches which put him ahead of Sheffield United striker Bob Hatton and Rotherham's Jimmy Mullen.



• Above: Joe Jordan — First Division 'Matchman of the Month' for March.

• Below: Gerry Francis — top man in the Second Division.



Matchmen of the month
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THIRD DIVISION

Keith Oakes	Newport	3	8.00
Bob Hatton	Sheff Utd	4	7.75
Jimmy Mullen	Rotherham	4	7.75
Dick Tydeman	Charlton	5	7.60
Don Givens	Sheff Utd	4	7.50
Keith Houghton	Carlisle	5	7.40



In-Vince-able!

GOALKEEPERS have dominated the Fourth Division awards with Torquay's Vince O'Keefe taking the honour from Bury's Nev Southall.

Vince, who had a maximum mark of ten for his performance at Wigan, averaged 8.25 with Nev, recently selected for the Welsh squad, on 8.00.



FOURTH DIVISION

Vince O'Keefe	Torquay	4	8.25
Nev Southall	Bury	4	8.00
Eugene Martinez	Rochdale	3	7.66
Tommy Sword	Stockport	3	7.66
Dave Pountney	Southend	5	7.60



JARVIE JOY

ALTHOUGH Aberdeen's hopes of retaining the Scottish Premier Division title have been all but buried by Celtic, at least one of their players has something to smile about.

Forward Drew Jarvie won the Scottish award for March with an average mark of 7.66 from three matches.



SCOTTISH PREMIER

Drew Jarvie	Aberdeen	3	7.66
Alister Mauchlen	Kilmarnock	6	7.33
Dave Dodds	Dundee Utd	3	7.33
Bobby Park	Partick	3	7.33





LIVERPOOL

THE League Cup — the one trophy that Liverpool had never won in all their glorious years — is theirs at last, won on an emotion-charged night at Villa Park in a style that at times left the fans open-mouthed in admiration.

They clinched the cup with staggering skill in a first-half of furious pace that at one time threatened to leave West Ham on the wrong end of a cricket score.

It was Liverpool at their most

brilliant best

Little Sammy Lee hunted the ball with the ferocity of a young lion . . . Terry McDermott ran himself silly and Kenny Dalglish was at times just pure genius.

But they all played well and while West Ham, to their credit, hauled themselves back into the game in the second half, it was always going to be Liverpool's night.

Here, in a special picture focus, Match Weekly captures all the action.

Above: West Ham striker Paul Goddard is horizontal after meeting a superb Jimmy Neighbour cross to head the Hammers into a shock lead after just ten minutes. Liverpool's Phil Thompson watches anxiously as Ray Clemence attempts to save, but the Liverpool 'keeper could only push the ball into the roof of the net.

Left: A proud moment for Liverpool skipper Phil Thompson as he raises the League Cup high above his head to a crescendo of noise from the Merseyside fans. Jimmy Case (left) is caught in a moment of thought, but Terry McDermott — just his head showing — looks happy enough.

That was the week that was APRIL 11-18

THIS was the week — six years ago — that 'Super Mac' hit the headlines with a five-goal show for England.

Big Malcolm Macdonald, the current manager of Third Division Fulham, wrote his name into the record books on April 16, 1975, by scoring all five goals in England's World Cup win over Cyprus at Wembley.

It was a Wembley record and the highest individual

score for an England striker since 1938.

It was also a night to remember for Ipswich defender Kevin Beattie who was called up for his England debut.

Here are some more memory joggers from this corresponding week in years gone by:

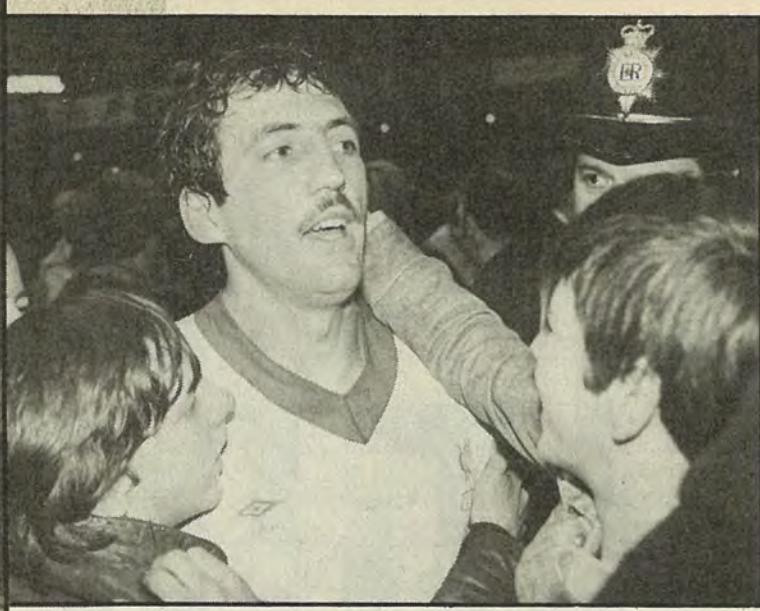
April 11, 1978: Tony Currie is recalled to the England squad for the Brazil match; 1980 — Eight players are booked in the Doncaster v

Hereford match, seven of them in one incident when the Hereford 'wall' failed to retreat ten yards.

April 12, 1973 — Ron Saunders is sacked as manager of Manchester City and Tony Book takes over; 1978 — Liverpool reach the European Cup final for the second consecutive season by defeating Borussia Moenchengladbach 3-0; 1980 — Bolton are relegated from Division One and Kevin Reeves scores his first goal

for Manchester City.

April 13, 1973 — Northern Ireland goalkeeper Pat Jennings is elected 'Footballer of the Year'; 1977 — Brian Little snatches a late extra-time winner against Everton to earn Aston Villa the League Cup at the third attempt; 1978 — Manchester United collect a club record £250,000 from Derby for England winger Gordon Hill; 1980 — George Best signs for San Jose Earthquakes.



Above: Liverpool defender Alan Kennedy is mobbed by some of the delighted young fans who invaded the pitch after the final whistle.

Left: Alan Hansen (centre, white shirt) climbs high above West Ham defender Alvin Martin to head the ball goalwards. A split-second later the ball flew into the net off Billy Bonds' leg for what proved to be Liverpool's winner at Villa Park. Liverpool's Ray Kennedy (left) and West Ham's Ray Stewart (2) look on.

AT LAST!

LEAGUE CUP FINAL SPECIAL

Action Replay



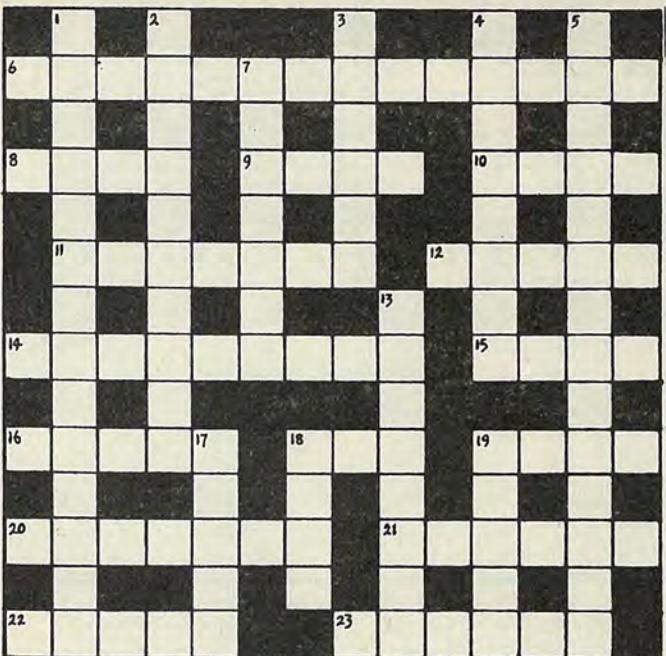
Alan Hansen on the goal that clinched victory for Liverpool: "I went home and watched it on the video and I was prepared to concede it was a Billy Bonds own goal, but we could have scored four or five in the first half. The lads played brilliantly."

* * *

"It was great — a fabulous performance. Some critics had been saying Liverpool were over the hill, but in the first 45 minutes we proved them wrong" — Liverpool's Phil Thompson.

Left: Cheeks puffed, Kenny Dalglish swivels and hooks the ball home for Liverpool's equaliser. The goal chance was created by a brilliant ball from Terry McDermott.

Dalglish was on it in a flash and finished the move as only he can do. West Ham's Geoff Pike ran in to block the shot, but he was too late.



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ACROSS

6. Third Division club based at Brunton Park (8,6)
8. — Bowles has played for England (4)
9. Gary — (WBA) (4)
10. The rules of soccer (4)
11. Famous old centre-half and, later, centre-forward who played 38 times for Wales and over 500 times for Leeds, Juventus, Roma and Cardiff (7)
12. Now you can see one on Sunday! (5)
14. Scottish Division Two club which is alphabetically the last club in Scotland (and is in the appropriate position in the League table!) (9)
15. Burnley's chairman Bob — followed — Westwood as chairman of the Football League in March (4)
16. Teams (5)
18. — Futcher used to play for Luton and for Manchester City (3)
19. It's sometimes sprinkled onto icy pitches (4)
20. Arsenal's address is: Arsenal —, Highbury, London (7)

21. Division Three club which did so well in the 1980/81 FA Cup (6)
22. Swansea's ground is called — Field (5)
23. — Tueart (Manchester City) (6)

DOWN

1. Prickly-sounding Scottish Premier Division side (7,7)
2. Big defender who joined Derby from Middlesbrough at the start of the season (4,6)
3. Martin — became manager of Sheffield United this season (6)
4. London club (8)
5. Club which is actually in England but is so far north that it plays in the Scottish League! (7,7)
7. Former Newcastle and Scotland defender Jimmy — has managed Cardiff and Newport (7)
13. Club that has Liverpool and Everton as its nearest neighbours (8)
17. Tommy — scored one of the goals when Liverpool won the European Cup . . . (5)
18. . . . in this city in 1977 (4)
19. The manager of Scotland (5)

STAR-GALLERY

Below: "One of the best keeper's in the Second Division", is how Chris Robinson of Great Lumley, Co. Durham describes Newcastle's Kevin Carr.



Above: The inspirational Aston Villa skipper Dennis Mortimer is rated as one of the best midfield players in the country by Birger Solheim (11) of Leon, Norway.



Birmingham's Frank Worthington was one of the main reasons why 'The Blues' were promoted last season, says Andrew Chadwick (14), of Polesworth, Tamworth, Staffs.



WIN 6 Liverpool Books



FOOTBALL'S a funny game and the people who play it are often amusing, too — but often they save their humour for the final whistle.

Here is just such an instance as Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish shares a joke with big Joe Corrigan of Manchester City.

Just what is Kenny saying? We'd like to hear from you in not more than 12 words.

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QUIZ

TRUE OR FALSE

- England's goal in the World Cup defeat by Rumania in 1980 was scored by Gary Birtles. True or False?
- Diego Maradona's £4 million world record transfer was from River Plate to Boca Juniors. True or False?
- Both the opening goals in the 1974 World Cup final between West Germany and Holland came from penalties. True or False?
- Brazil has missed the final stages of the World Cup only once since the tournament began in 1930. True or False?

SOLUTIONS

- True or False? 1. False 2. True 3. False 4. True 5. False 6. True 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. True
- Answers to last week's quiz:
1. Kenny Dalglish, 2. Steve Archibald, 3. Steve Archibald, 4. Steve Archibald, 5. Steve Archibald, 6. Steve Archibald, 7. Steve Archibald, 8. Steve Archibald, 9. Steve Archibald, 10. Steve Archibald.

- Jim Baxter, one of the greatest players Scotland ever produced also played for two English clubs. Can you name them?
- Name the odd one out in this 1982 World Cup qualifying group . . . England, Rumania, Hungary, Finland, Switzerland.
- When was the Football Association formed? Was it in 1863, 1869 or 1888?
- Who is Scotland's most capped player?
- Where do the Latics play?
- Aston Villa won the first League Cup in 1960-61. Who were runners-up?
- When was Kenny Burns chosen Footballer of the Year by the Football writers? Was it in 1978, 1976 or 1979?
- In the 1978 World Cup a Peruvian's two goals helped knock out Scotland. Who was he?
- My team wear red and white striped shirts, are nicknamed the Bees and play at Griffin Park. Who do I support?
- Where will the 1986 World Cup finals be played?

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A HERO'S RETURN

FORMER Everton hero Joe Royle returns to Goodison Park on Saturday... eager to silence the Merseyside fans who once cheered him to international honours.

The big Liverpool born striker made 230 League appearances for Everton — the club which gave him his start in professional football.

And during that time he scored 102 League goals for them — more than any current Everton player.

But for the past couple of seasons, the one time Manchester City man has been tasting the less glamorous side of soccer...

Last year Joe suffered the misery of relegation to the Second Division with Bristol City and now the prospect stares him

in the face yet again... this time with Norwich.

His goalscoring potential is as important now as it ever was to help keep the 'Canaries' in the top flight.

When Norwich met Everton in the League at Carrow Road earlier this season it was Joe's goal which secured two points for his club, as the second in a 2-1 victory.

On Saturday the points will seem even more vital than they did back in November, but my belief is that the result will only see Norwich slipping further towards the big drop.

Meanwhile League points will be the least thing on the minds of the four teams battling it out for a place in the FA Cup Final.

Ipswich and Spurs are my tips to reach Wembley.



Ipswich's Eric Gates (right) in action against Villa's Gordon Cowans. Eric's role just behind the attack gives John Wark a chance to steal in and score goals.

STRATTON on Saturday

Saturday, April 11

Match	My forecast	Your forecast	Dad's forecast	RESULT
Ipswich v Man City	2-0			
Spurs v Wolves	2-1			
Everton v Norwich	3-0			
Bolton v Watford	1-1			
Orient v Swansea	0-1			
Hudd'sld v Millwall	1-2			
Rotherham v Charlton	1-0			
Bourn'mth v Bury	2-0			
Southend v Lincoln	2-2			
Aberdeen v Rangers	3-1			

WHO WON THIS WEEK



POINTS SCORED

PAUL

YOURSELF

DAD

Aggregate scores carried forward to next week
PAUL _____
YOURSELF _____
DAD _____

DA

IN the panel above, Paul Stratton has predicted scorelines for ten of Saturday's matches — including the two FA Cup semi-final ties.

The challenge is — beat him if you can!

There's a space for your forecasts, one for dad and a column for the actual results. Award yourself two points for every score you get right and one point if you get a result right (ie home win, away win, draw).



West Brom's John Deehan came in for some rough treatment when he played for Villa in Europe.

MY EURO DEBUT

We couldn't start without the crowd

I'll never forget my first taste of European football with Aston Villa — we had to wait for the crowd to turn up before we could kick-off!

It was our first away match in the 1977-78 UEFA Cup against Fenerbahce of Turkey and it taught me always to expect the unexpected.

We'd arrived at the ground well in time for the 7pm kick-off only to be told that the match would be delayed an hour to give the fans time to get home from work.

Fortunately as we'd coasted home 4-0 in the first leg the delay didn't bother us too much and we went out in the pouring Istanbul rain to win 2-0 with both goals from John Deehan (now West Brom).

The biggest drag about playing

in Europe is all the travelling you have to do. I'm not a good traveller because I hate hanging around airports and hotels.

The trip to Poland for our game against Gornik Zabrze in the second round, second leg was one of the worst I can remember.

Not only did we have to undergo a gruelling two and a half hour coach journey through the featureless Polish countryside, but our plane was fogbound on the way back and we had to stay over an extra night.

The Turks and Poles played the game by the rulebook — unlike our next two opponents from Spain, Bilbao and Barcelona.

You've got to have a cool temperament when you play against them because they're very good at fouling you off the ball when the referee's not looking.

They're also very clever at feigning injury — I remember one of them punched John Deehan in the face and then fell to the ground as if he'd been floored!

Despite all the hassles it all seems worthwhile when you step off the plane at the airport with a win under your belt.

Playing in Europe next season will especially benefit Villa's England hopefuls Gary Shaw and Gordon Cowans.

You come up against different styles of play which makes you think more — and that's great experience.

NEXT WEEK: The man who spoiled my European dream.

We'll show 'em!



Villa skipper Dennis Mortimer previews his club's title 'showdown' with Ipswich

WE'RE determined to win our crunch game against League leaders Ipswich and prove to people that we're the best team in the country.

Many critics still under-rate us and think we've just crept up the League, but we want to show them that we deserve our place at the top.

We can't afford to relax at Villa Park on Tuesday night (April 14) and it's important that we attack them from the start. If we can keep them under pressure we might find their weak links.

We've already played them twice this season and I thought we were unlucky to lose 1-0 on both occasions.

In our league meeting their 'keeper Paul Cooper was in superb form and pulled off some tremendous saves.

Forward

It's the formation they play that makes them so difficult to beat. Their Dutchmen Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen like to play wide and Eric Gates as a deep forward just in front of midfield.

And it's this formation which has helped their Scottish international John Wark to score so many goals from midfield.

The opposing midfield men go deep to try and pick up Gates and tend to forget about Wark who steals in to score vital goals.

Villa have been under pressure most of the season because we've had to catch them up. If we can beat them they'll start to feel the pressure.

Left: Dennis Mortimer — 'unlucky to lose to Ipswich'.

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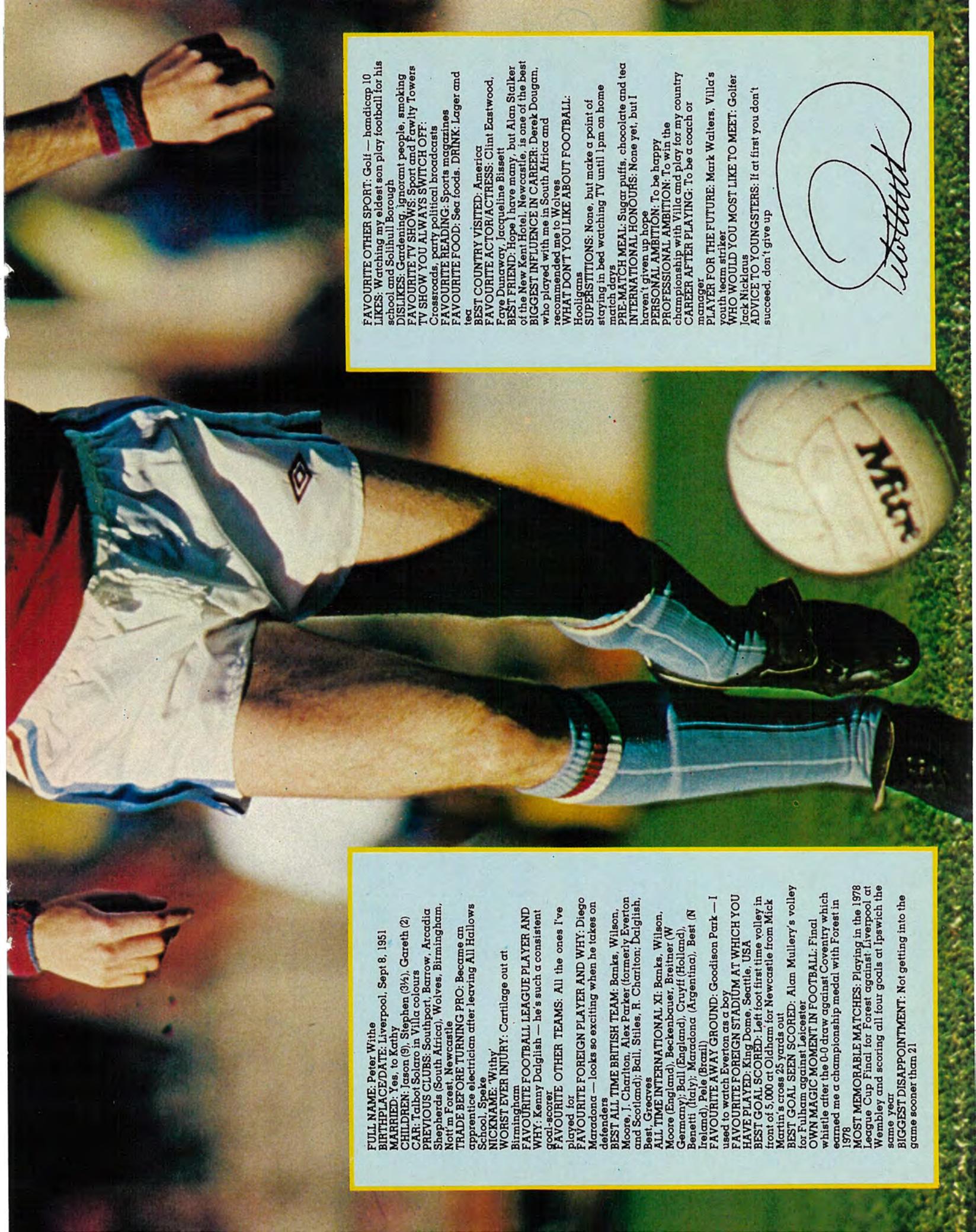
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BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Liverpool, Sept 8, 1951

MARRIED: Yes, to Kathy
CHILDREN: Jason (9), Stephen (3½), Gareth (2)
CAR: Talbot Solaro in Villa colours
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Southport, Barrow, Arcadia
Shepherds (South Africa), Wolves, Birmingham,
Not in Forest, Newcastle

TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Became an
apprentice electrician after leaving All Hallows

School, Speke
NICKNAME: 'Withe'
WORST EVER INJURY: Cartilage out at
Birmingham

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND
WHY: Kenny Dalglish — he's such a consistent
goal-scorer

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAMS: All the ones I've
played for
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Diego
Maradona — looks so exciting when he takes on
defenders

BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks, Wilson,
Moore, J. Charlton, Alex Parker (formerly Everton
and Scotland); Ball, Stiles, R. Charlton, Dalglish,
Best, Greaves
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Banks, Wilson,
Moore (England); Beckenbauer, Breitner (West
Germany); Ball (England); Cruyff (Holland);
Bentetti (Italy); Maradona (Argentina); Best (N.
Ireland); Pele (Brazil)

FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Goodison Park — I
used to watch Everton as a boy

FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU
HAVE PLAYED: King Dome, Seattle, USA

BEST GOAL SCORED: Left foot first time volley in
front of 5,000 at Oldham for Newcastle from Mick

Martin's cross 25 yards out
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Alan Mullery's volley

for Fulham against Leicester
MOST MEMORABLE MATCHES: Playing in the 1978
League Cup Final for Forest against Liverpool at
Wembley and scoring all four goals at Ipswich the
same year

OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: First
whistle after the 0-0 draw against Coventry which
earned me a championship medal with Forest in
1978
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Not getting into the
game sooner than 21

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORT: Golf — handicap 10
LIKES: Watching my eldest son play football for his
school and Solihull Borough

DISLIKES: Gardening, ignorant people, smoking
FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: Sport and Family Towers
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF:
Crossroads, party political broadcasts

FAVOURITE READING: Sports magazines
FAVOURITE FOOD: Seafoods. DRINK: Lager and
tea

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: America
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Clint Eastwood,
Faye Dunaway, Jacqueline Bissett

BEST FRIEND: 'Hope' have many, but Alan Stalker
of the New Kent Hotel, Newcastle, is one of the best
BIGGEST INFLUENCE IN CAREER: Derek Dougan,
who played with me in South Africa and
recommended me to Wolves

WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL:
Hooligans

SUPERSTITIONS: None, but make a point of
staying in bed watching TV until 1pm on home
match days

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Sugar puffs, chocolate and tea
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: None yet, but I
haven't given up hope

PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win the
championship with Villa and play for my country

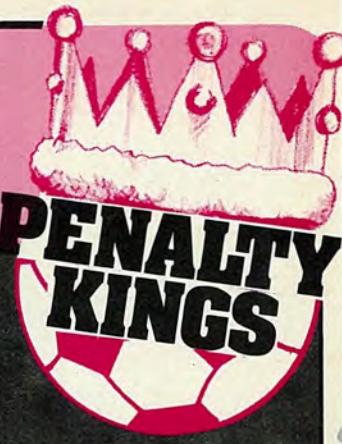
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: To be a coach or
manager
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Mark Walters, Villa's
youth team striker

WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Golfer
Jack Nicklaus

ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: If at first you don't
succeed, don't give up

P. Withe

WHY I TALK TO MYSELF!



DON'T worry if you see Grimsby skipper Joe Waters talking to himself when he's about to take a penalty.

It's all part of the ritual as he prepares for the challenge.

"It's a rather unique situation to find yourself in when you're facing the goalkeeper.

"It gives me a great kick and I don't really know why," says the former Leicester player who has missed only two penalties in five seasons with the Second Division club.

"It's very hard to describe the feeling. There's no real pressure but I always talk myself through it which must help me relax.

"I keep telling myself to stay cool and relaxed as well as deciding where I'm going to put the kick.

"I always feel that if you hit the ball hard and towards the corner of the net then the goalkeeper hasn't got much chance."

Joe used to take the penalties in the reserves at Leicester and then volunteered for the job at Grimsby when Malcolm Partridge was transferred.

"I've only missed a couple for Grimsby and on both occasions we won the match so they didn't really matter," recalls Joe, who has scored nine since last season.

Among his penalty memories is a last minute equaliser at Peterborough when Grimsby won the Fourth Division championship three seasons ago and a vital one this season in a 1-1 draw at Cardiff which kept Grimsby in the promotion reckoning.

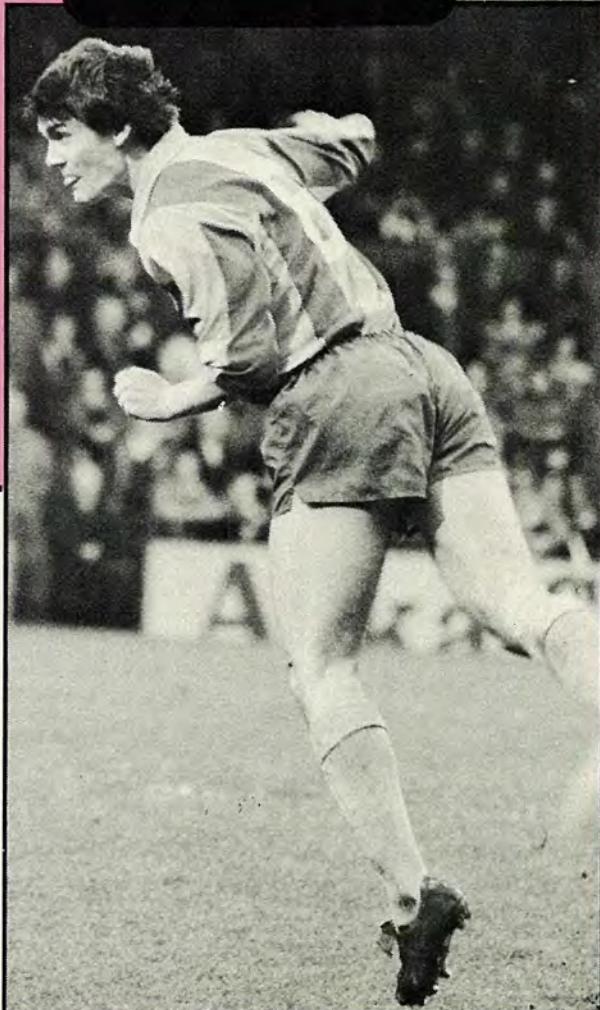
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Joe Waters

TWO of football's most successful penalty takers, Grimsby's JOE WATERS and Shrewsbury's JACK KEAY, continue our super series on the spot-kick specialists.



Above: Grimsby skipper Joe Waters

Left: Shrewsbury penalty king Jack Keay



JACK'S THE SCOURGE OF LONDON

SHREWSBURY defender Jack Keay really puts London clubs on the spot.

Last season the Second Division club's penalty ace collected seven penalties — all of them scored against London teams, including two against Chelsea and Fulham.

"It was just one of those coincidences," says the Scot who landed the job at Gay Meadow after messing about in training.

He explains: "One or two players missed penalties and so I was given the job after messing about taking them in training.

"I had never taken one in senior football until the home game with Chelsea last season.

"I put it away and I've been taking them ever since."

The former Celtic player takes it all in his stride: "I don't feel any pressure at all when taking penalties. My only concern is to stick the ball in the net.

"I quite enjoy taking them because it gives me a chance to get on to the scoresheet."

In fact, he was the club's second top scorer last season with nine goals, including those seven penalties.

And he could be facing some crucial kicks in the final weeks as the club try to fight off the threat of relegation.

"Penalties don't bother me at all. I've got no set pattern. I simply take them as they come."

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'Norway and Sweden helped me mature, but it's . . .

Great to be back!

says Dean Mooney (Bournemouth)

BOURNEMOUTH'S late charge for promotion from Division Four is being boosted by a striker who once scored in a Norwegian Cup Final.

After being the scourge of Scandinavian defences for three years, former Orient forward Dean Mooney has returned in style, slammimg ten goals in an 11-game spell to lift Dave Webb's team into the promotion reckoning.

"Everything has been going well for me since I returned in October and we have a good chance of returning to Division Three," says the £15,000 signing from Swedish Second Division club Gais.

"My decision to play in Norway and Sweden widened my experience and enabled me to mature more quickly."

"All the players here have the greatest respect for Dave as a player and a manager and they are all playing for him as well as the club. It's like having 13 men out there."

But for the chance offered by Dave Webb,

London-born Dean would be preparing for another season in Sweden.

He explains: "I returned to England at the end of the Swedish season with the intention of just keeping in trim by playing in non-league football.

"I joined Bobby Moore at Oxford City and scored on my debut, which was watched by a friend of Dave Webb's. I was invited to Bournemouth and scored a hat-trick in a 7-1 testimonial win at Poole.

"Dave asked me to sign and I jumped at a second chance of League football."

Dean had begun his Scandinavian adventure with Norwegian club Hauger, who played Newport in this season's European Cup Winners' Cup.

"I had four years with Orient and had one full season in the Second Division, but then I had a disagreement with manager George Petchey over money and I was granted a free transfer.

"I played with Walthamstow before having a gamble in Norway with Hauger."

He had two successful seasons with them, during which they won promotion to Division Two and reached the Cup Final.

"I scored in the final but we lost in the end to a penalty and an own goal," recalls Dean.

"I then decided to go to Sweden to seek a higher standard of football and in my only season with Gais we just missed promotion to the First Division.

"I have never regretted my decision to play over there but it's great to be back among the goals in the Football League."



Melvyn Beck's Third and Fourth Division Spotlight

Bee-line for promotion

LOOK out for Brentford in the Third Division promotion race next season.

That's the view of player-coach Ron Harris, the former Chelsea stalwart whose experience in midfield recently guided 'The Bees' through a 13-match unbeaten spell.

"Our improved form has come too late this season, but with two or three new players in

the squad to get more competition for places then one has got to fancy our chances next season," says Ron, who teamed up with manager Fred Callaghan at the start of the season.

"We had a fairly settled side through that unbeaten spell and the signings of Chelsea pair Lee Frost and Gary Johnson made a big difference.

"We had a few problems at the start of the season with one or two players in dispute over wages and it took us a while to get things sorted out.

"I have been a little disappointed with the standard of the Third Division and if we had managed a few more wins at home (only five in 18 matches at Griffin Park) then we might have been in the promotion frame."

Ron intends to keep on playing for at least another season.

"I have enjoyed playing and I see no reason why I shouldn't play again next season, providing Fred picks me."

Ron Harris (left) and Brentford manager Fred Callaghan — making a bee-line for promotion next season.



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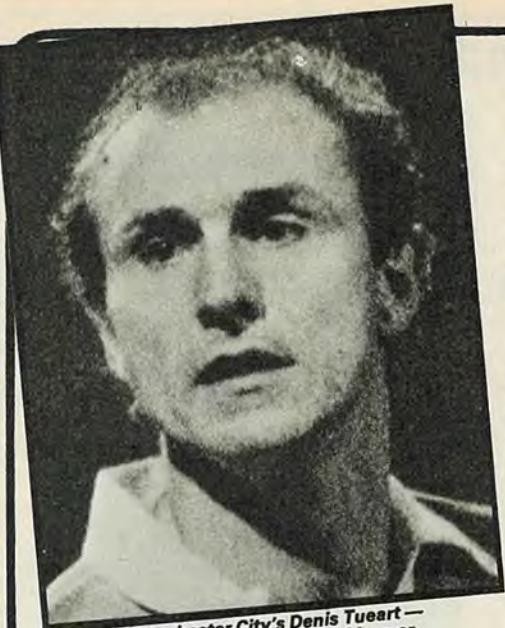
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Manchester City's Denis Tueart — he's included in a team of former Sunderland players.

Past greats

WHAT have Manchester City's Denis Tueart and Southampton's Dave Watson got in common?

Yes — you've got it! They both played in Sunderland's 1973 FA cup winning side. And they're included in a Sunderland 'Past Greats' team composed by Trevor Routledge of Hebburn, Tyne and Wear.

His team is: Trevor Swinburne (Carlisle), Mick Henderson (Watford), Tim Gilbert (Cardiff), Colin Todd (Birmingham), David Watson (Southampton), Ray Train (Watford), Bobby Kerr (Hartlepool), Bob Lee (Bristol Rovers), Wayne Entwhistle (Blackpool), Pop Robson (Carlisle), Denis Tueart (Man City).

Stephen Pedrick of Barry, South Wales, selected this eleven as his side of Cardiff City past players.

John Davies (Hull), John Impey (Bournemouth), Brian Attey (Swansea), Alan Campbell (Carlisle), Freddie Pethard (Torquay), Leighton Phillips, David Giles (both Swansea), Mickey Burns (Middlesbrough), Mel Sutton (Wrexham), Andy McCulloch (Sheff Wed), Tony Evans (Birmingham).

Give Ward a chance, Clough!

PETER WARD is wasting his considerable talents at Nottingham Forest.

He's only played a handful of games since his transfer from Brighton earlier this season and hasn't had the chance to prove his exceptional ability.

If I was a player of his high class I wouldn't be content with reserve team football.

Forest's season has now crumbled into mediocrity and Cloughie should give Peter a chance to show what he can do. Ian Saunders (14), Harpenden, Herts.

Golden Goof

PORTRUSH must have a great chance of promotion from the Third Division this season . . . they've sneaked two teams in.

This 'golden goof' was sent in by Neil Hitt (11) of Kenley, Surrey. Keep those goofs coming in . . .

THIRD DIVISION

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Charlton	27	12	11	29	10	6	3	4	16	12	40	
Barnsley	28	10	3	22	28	9	5	6	2	16	13	39
Rotherham	29	10	5	20	28	5	3	6	5	12	17	37
Huddersfield	28	10	4	1	28	5	3	5	5	17	35	
Burnley	28	9	3	22	26	11	4	6	4	14	13	35
Chesterfield	27	9	2	1	22	8	5	4	6	21	17	34
Portsmouth	26	10	1	3	19	11	5	2	5	11	10	33
Portsmouth	26	10	1	3	19	11	5	2	5	11	10	33
Reading	27	10	2	3	29	12	2	3	7	10	21	29
Exeter	27	5	5	4	22	21	6	2	5	20	16	29

Manager's view

EVERY time a football manager is asked his view on a bad tackle by one of his players the answer is always the same.

"I didn't really see the incident," they all say. I think the television companies should supply them with glasses so that they have

no excuse for missing the foul.

They're just trying to evade the question — many politicians use the same sort of tactics.

Greg Henley, Twickenham, Middlesex.

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MIDDLESBROUGH boss John Neal must buy a couple of experienced players if the North East side are to win anything.

They developed a tremendous youth policy that has produced the likes of Craig Johnston, Ian Bailey, Mark Proctor and David Hodgson, but now they need some experience to help the youngsters along.

Without success — or the chance of it — the good players will drift away to glamour clubs. Craig Johnston looks as though he's already decided to go to Liverpool next season.

The club must think big and buy before our other good young players go as well.
John Wilkinson, Acklam, Middlesbrough.



Middlesbrough's Ian Bailey — one of Ayresome Park's home-grown products.



TERRACE TALK

POOR OLD PALACE

POOR old Crystal Palace — what an awful season they've had!

I can't help feeling that sometimes this season they've been very unlucky. Take their game against Everton at Selhurst Park. They scored twice and their goalkeeper saved a penalty and yet they still

Inspired

BRIAN CLOUGH must be kicking himself at letting Archie Gemmill go so prematurely.

He's been the inspiration behind Birmingham's attempt to consolidate their place in the First Division this season and he's still in the Scotland squad.

Archie could still do a good job for Nottingham Forest. Jim Callaghan, Newtown, Birmingham.

lost.

If Palace want to be a force in Division Two they must tighten up their defence — it's letting down the good work of their midfield and attack.

Philip Tomlinson, Hanford, Stoke-on-Trent.



I'M ANTHONY Hawkswell and I'm in charge of the 'Outraged' column. I'll stand no nonsense . . . any back-chat and I'll send you off!

I'll be giving marching orders to the writer of the most outrageous letter of the week and booking others

who make me really angry. And just to make it more interesting I'll pay £5 to the person I send off and £2 to each one I book.

If you dare, write to me at: 'Outraged', Match Weekly, Midgate House, Midgate, Peterborough PE1 1UB.

OUTRAGED!

Two refs, please!

THE Football League should experiment with an extra referee to help cut down the number of bad decisions on the field.

There should be two refs — one in each half — controlling the game.

If this was implemented there would be less chance of a wrong decision being made and the referee concerned would be able

to keep up with play.

Paul Gerrard, Carshalton, Surrey.

With suggestions like yours there soon wouldn't be any room left on the pitch for the players! The final decision should be left to one person otherwise every time there was an incident there'd be a long debate between the two officials plus the linesmen! You're sent off.



Keegan's got a nerve!

KEVIN Keegan has a nerve to take all the glory for the goals he scores for England.

The Southampton skipper should realise that much of the hard work is down to West Ham's Trevor Brooking.

He sets up the chances — all Keegan has to do is score.

Come on! Give Trevor more credit next time Keegan scores. Ashley Faria (11), Manor Park, London.

THAT'S the trouble with West Ham fans — they're so biased. No-one doubts Trevor's great skills but it also takes great finishing to put his chances away. You're booked.



Tommy Booth — due for retirement says Kevin Poi.

Lucky City

IT'S annoying to see such a poor team like Manchester City getting so much praise.

Players like Tommy Booth and Joe Corrigan are due for retirement and the only players I really rate are Kevin Reeves and Tommy Hutchison.

They've been lucky to reach the semi-final of the FA Cup. Their mid-table position in the League's nothing to brag about either!

Kevin Poi, Epsom, Surrey.

YOU don't reach the semi-finals of two cup competitions by luck. Obviously you're a jealous United fan who deserves to be booked!

Dull Ipswich

I AM sick and tired of hearing how successful Ipswich Town have been this season.

The dull defensive tactics introduced by Bobby Robson have bored me to tears.

I am a Charlton fan and get value for money week in week out.

P. A. Thomas, Heavitree, Devon.

I CAN think of one day



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HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 10½ins/11st 9lb.

MARRIED: Yes, to Jane.

CHILDREN: Kelly-Jane and Roddy.

CAR: Renault 20TS.

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Bradford Park Avenue.

TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: None.

CLUB NICKNAME: 'Hibby'.

WORST EVER INJURY: Broken ankle and broken ribs (twice!).

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Alan Ball (Southampton) because he has everything a midfield player should have.

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OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: When I pulled on an England Under-23 shirt.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing to Leeds (1972-73) and Arsenal (1979) in the FA Cup.

semi-finals.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Golf, cricket and snooker.

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Taking my wife out for dinner; playing with my children.

MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Washing up, shopping, losing golf balls.

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WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Losing, bad refs and travelling home after defeat.

SUPERSTITIONS: Wear the same clothes until we lose.

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Omelette.

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: One England U-23 cap.

PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy with my family.

PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play in an FA Cup Final for Wolves.

CAREER AFTER PLAYING: Coach or manager.

A PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Graham Rix (Arsenal) — we've yet to see the best of him.

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Ken Hibbett.

FEW CITIES in the world today can boast the intense football rivalry which exists in Manchester. It's the blues versus the reds . . . City versus United. There's nothing 'in-between'. And this year it has been the men from Maine Road who have given their faithful fans most to cheer. Here Match writer MELVYN BECK traces the ups and downs of the two Manchester clubs through the years and asks the question: HAVE UNITED LOST THEIR CROWN?

CAN CITY TAKE UNITED'S CROWN?

THE

THE big power struggle in the football mad city of Manchester has all but changed hands.

For almost three seasons United have ruled the roost, looking down on their City rivals from the First Division heights like wealthy aristocrats viewing their servants.

While City's fortune and image slumped, United went to Wembley and pushed mighty Liverpool for the League Championship last season.

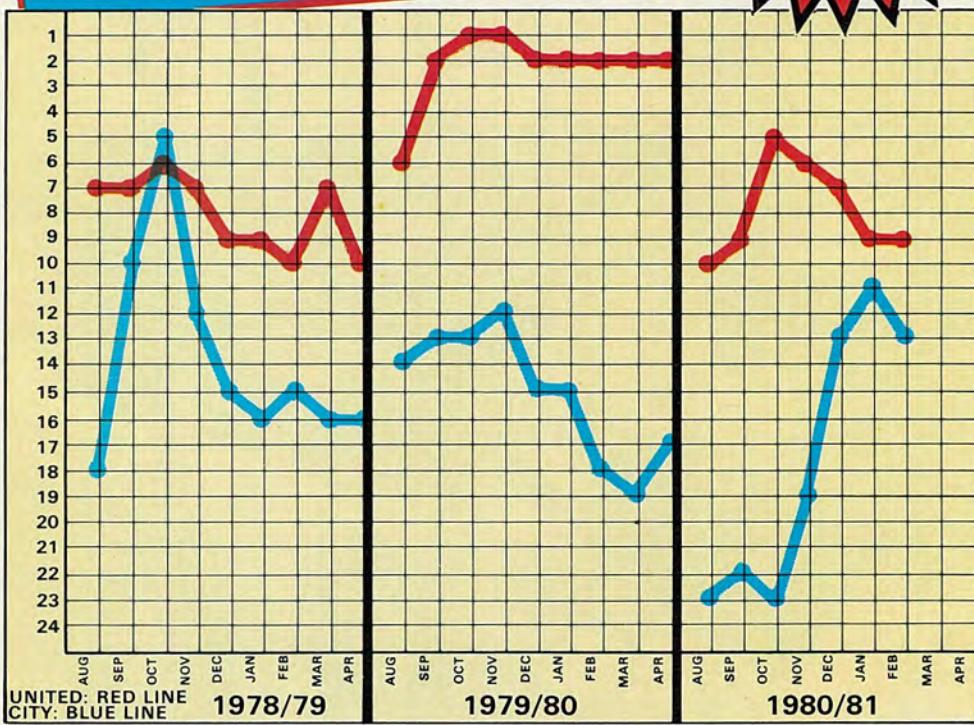
But the wind of change has roared through the corridors of Maine Road with the same devastating effect as a hurricane since the appointment last October of former Norwich manager John Bond.

And while their paths have not quite crossed in the First Division, in terms of success this season City have won the battle hands down.

Many football observers outside Lancashire believe that John Bond has pieced together a side that has overtaken the £3 million men from Old Trafford in terms of style and entertainment.

Since John breezed into the Maine Road hot seat, he has guided them to two cup semi-finals and erased the fear of relegation.

LEFT: The blue line representing City shows just how they have narrowed the gap in the First Division on neighbouring United this season.



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MANCHESTER REIGN

While City have twice been to the threshold of Wembley this year, United fell at early hurdles in both competitions . . . against Coventry in the League Cup and at Nottingham Forest in the FA Cup.

Add to that a first round exit in the UEFA Cup to Polish side Widzew Lodz — later beaten by Ipswich — plus a departure from the race for European places next season and one can visualise the pressure manager Dave Sexton is facing.

Not since City, in the days of Mike Channon and Brian Kidd, finished fourth in the First Division in 1977-78, has United's supremacy been seriously challenged.

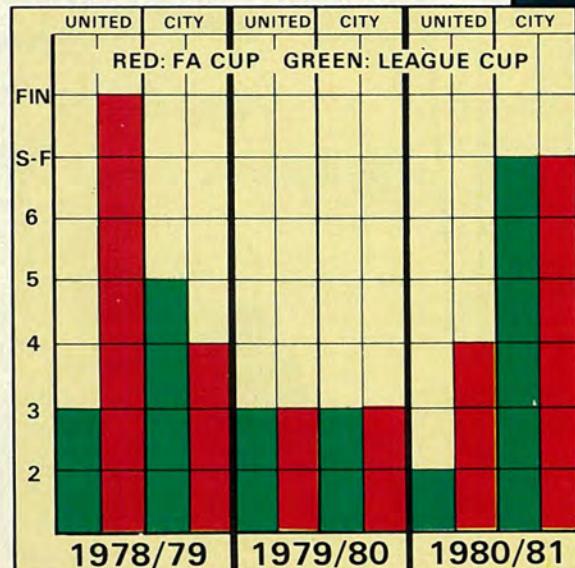
The following season United were tenth — five places above City — but they had the satisfaction of going to Wembley where they narrowly lost out to Arsenal in one of the most exciting finals for many years.

Last season United and Liverpool dominated the League scene, swapping positions at the top of the chart until Bob Paisley's 'red machine' finally won the day.

City meanwhile hovered around the relegation area for most of the season, an uncomfortable position they found themselves in until Christmas when John Bond's seemingly mercurial powers began to take effect.

Right: City's Bobby McDonald (left) in an aerial duel with United's Garry Birtles. Both players were signed by their respective clubs this season, but while McDonald has been an undoubted success, Birtles has failed to live up to his £1 million price tag at Old Trafford.

BELOW: The graph shows the progress of the teams in the FA Cup and League Cup over the past three seasons, the FA Cup being shown in red and the League Cup in green.



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DIVISION ONE	HOME			AWAY			P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A							
Tottenham	37	9	6	3	39	21	9	5	5	37	24	47	
Wolves	36	13	3	2	54	24	8	2	8	38	37	47	
Sheff Wed	37	11	7	1	44	16	7	2	9	27	32	45	
Burnley	35	13	1	4	48	28	7	4	6	28	29	45	
West Brom	37	10	3	5	43	23	6	7	6	27	29	42	
Bolton	37	10	5	4	32	26	7	3	8	20	21	42	
Newcastle	37	9	4	5	38	28	8	3	8	40	41	41	
Man Utd	37	10	3	5	42	27	6	4	9	46	45	39	
Preston	37	8	5	5	36	32	6	6	7	34	38	39	
Blackpool	37	9	4	6	31	31	6	4	8	25	27	38	
Fulham	37	10	4	5	37	27	4	5	9	29	49	37	
West Ham	36	11	2	5	43	29	4	3	11	24	45	35	
Arsenal	37	7	5	7	32	36	6	4	8	29	35	35	
Blackburn	36	11	3	4	35	24	4	1	13	21	38	34	
Chelsea	37	7	4	7	41	41	6	4	9	31	32	34	
Leicester	37	7	5	6	32	26	4	7	8	27	42	34	
Everton	37	11	3	5	45	20	0	6	12	20	50	31	
Notts For	37	7	5	7	27	28	5	2	11	18	41	31	
Man City	36	9	2	7	43	31	4	1	13	28	47	29	
Birmingham	36	7	5	5	32	28	3	4	12	21	40	29	
Leeds	36	4	5	9	33	45	5	4	9	25	41	27	
Luton	37	5	4	10	21	27	2	7	9	23	39	25	

DIVISION TWO	HOME			AWAY			P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	P	W	D	F	A	W							
Aston Villa	38	15	3	1	57	18	8	6	5	27	20	55	
Cardiff	38	14	1	3	52	33	8	9	3	34	25	54	
Middlesbro	37	13	4	1	52	17	5	4	10	32	40	44	
Huddersfield	37	12	3	4	40	19	5	6	7	26	26	43	
Rotherham	37	8	7	3	27	20	8	4	7	30	31	43	
Ipswich	37	12	5	2	47	20	6	1	11	26	36	42	
Sheff Utd	37	11	3	4	41	22	5	7	7	21	27	42	
Charlton	37	10	7	1	43	22	5	5	9	34	54	42	
Liverpool	37	12	3	3	49	28	4	6	9	28	36	41	
Bristol Rovs	37	10	6	3	38	28	5	4	9	27	44	40	
Leyton O	37	10	4	5	42	23	3	9	6	26	31	39	
Swansea	36	10	6	2	46	28	3	3	12	25	46	35	
Lincoln	37	9	3	7	37	23	5	3	10	30	46	34	
Scunthorpe	37	8	6	4	34	22	4	3	12	16	38	33	
Stoke	38	8	3	9	39	36	5	4	9	25	41	33	
Brighton	37	6	7	6	29	27	4	4	10	28	41	31	
Portsmouth	37	6	5	8	34	33	4	5	9	22	33	30	
Sunderland	37	7	5	7	32	28	3	5	10	15	32	30	
Derby	37	8	4	6	27	23	4	2	13	26	47	30	
Plymouth	38	8	6	5	36	35	2	3	14	18	51	29	
Bristol C	36	7	3	8	19	25	2	2	14	28	56	23	
Hull	37	6	4	8	24	29	2	3	14	17	44	23	

DIVISION THREE	HOME			AWAY			P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	P	W	D	F	A	W							
Southampton	40	16	3	1	60	29	6	6	8	33	39	53	
Norwich	41	13	3	3	42	20	8	6	8	29	30	51	
Coventry	40	13	5	2	40	18	7	4	9	34	38	49	
Bury	40	12	2	6	31	20	8	5	7	27	20	47	
Shrewsbury	40	12	4	4	54	30	5	7	8	37	40	45	
Brentford	40	12	4	3	39	20	6	3	12	23	37	43	
Grimsby	40	10	6	4	41	24	5	7	8	35	41	43	
Bournemouth	40	11	7	2	44	23	5	4	11	23	36	43	
Colchester	41	13	6	1	42	17	3	5	13	31	48	43	
Q.P.R.	40	12	6	2	39	16	4	4	12	25	33	42	
Bradford C.	39	9	7	5	36	25	5	5	8	26	32	40	
Halifax	38	11	2	6	35	23	5	6	8	25	37	40	
Barnsley	41	12	5	3	40	23	2	7	12	18	38	40	
Swindon	40	10	5	5	34	26	7	1	12	26	37	40	
Newport	41	14	2	5	55	32	3	3	14	17	27	48	
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Wrexham	40	11	3	6	34	27	2	3	15	26	63	32	
Mansfield	40	9	4	6	47	42	4	1	16	24	61	31	
Accrington	41	4	4	14	31	53	6	0	13	21	54	24	

DIVISION FOUR	HOME			AWAY			P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	P	W	D	F	A	W							
Walsall	38	14	4	4	53	28	11	3	3	33	16	57	
Notts C.	40	17	1	2	58	20	6	5	5	39	35	52	
Torquay	39	15	2	3	50	24	9	2	8	24	25	52	
Millwall	41	10	8	3	45	27	6	8	6	28	28	48	
Watford	39	14	1	4	49	23	5	6	9	25	36	45	
Bradford	40	12	7	1	42	19	5	4	11	21	39	45	
C. Palace	40	10	6	4	59	26	7	4	9	20	33	44	
Rochdale	41	14	3	4	41	16	3	6	11	17	34	43	
Aldershot	42	14	4	3	49	19	4	3	12	27	50	43	
Stockport	41	13	5	2	30	10	4	4	13	22	42	43	
Exeter	40	11	6	3	40	25	5	4	11	28	37	42	
Northampton	38	11	4	3	39	19	6	3	10	29	38	41	
Gillingham	38	14	3	2	39	18	2	6	11	22	40	41	
Workington	41	9	7	4	38	17	4	6	11	26	36	39	
Chester	41	10	6	4	34	22	4	4	13	19	40	38	
Crewe	40	13	2	5	46	28	2	5	5	10	19	32	
Doncaster	39	11	3	7	36	23	3	4	11	20	41	35	
Carlisle	40	8	4	8	23	27	5	5	10	19	32	35	
Darlington	39	5	5	3	31	21	4	1	10	28	28	32	
Barrow	38	10	7	2	47	23	2	2	15	21	50	33	
Gateshead	40	10	3	7	31	24	0	6	14	20	48	29	

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★★★★ Good value
★★★ Satisfactory
★★ Dull
★ Waste of money

(Continued from last week)

Saturday, March 28

Division Three

FULHAM (1) 2 (Davies 41, Wilson 69)

NEWPORT (0) 1 (Gwyther 71)

Att: 4,570

Fulham: **★STANNARD 8**, Lock 7, Strong 7, Greenaway 6, Brown 7, Gale 7, Davies 7, O'Driscoll 6 (sub. Day 6), Coney 6, Wilson 7, Lewington 7.

Newport: Plumley 7, Walden 7, Relish 6, Davies 7, Bruton 7, Tynan 7, Vaughan 6, **★LOWNDES 8**, Gwyther 7, Elsey 6 (sub. Bishop 7), Moore 7.

Referee: C. Maskell (Cambridge)

Match Rating: ★★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0
CHESTER (0) 0

Att: 11,117

Huddersfield: Freeman 6, Brown 5, Robinson 6, Stanton 5, Sutton 6, Hanvey 6, **★LILLIS 8**, Kennedy 5, Austin 6 (sub. Kindon), Robins 7, Cowling 6.

Chester: **★MILLINGTON 8**, Needham 7, Raynor 6, Storton 7, Cottam 7, Oakes 7, Sutcliffe 7, Jones 6, Fear 6, Birch 7, Ludlam 6.

Referee: M. Tyson (Sunderland)

Match Rating: ★★★

HULL (1) 2 (Mutrie 43, Richards 52)
GILLINGHAM (2) 2 (Lee 1, 30)

Att: 3,309

Hull: Norman 6, Hoolickin 5, Booth 7, Ferguson 5, Eccleston 5, Richard 6, **★MARWOOD 8**, McLaren 6 (sub. Whitehurst), Edwards 5, Mutrie 6, Deacy 6.

Gillingham: Hillyard 6, Walker 7 (sub. Hughes), Overton 6, Bruce 5, Weatherly 5, Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, Duncan 6, Price 7, **★LEE 8**, White 5.

Referee: B. Martin (Keyworth)

Match Rating: ★★★

READING (1) 1 (Hetzke 13)

CHARLTON (1) 3 (Powell 19, Hales 50, Walsh 84)

Att: 6,989

Reading: Death 6, Williams 4, Joslyn 4, Bowman 5, Kearney 6, Hetzke 6, Earles 6, **★DIXON 7**, Heale 5, Beaven 5, Sanchez 5. Charlton: Johns 7, Taylor 7, Warman 7, Madden 7, Berry 7, **★TYDEMAN 8**, Powell 7, Hales 7 (sub. Gritt), Walsh 7, Smith 7, Robinson 7.

Referee: D. V. Reeves (Uxbridge)

Match Rating: ★★

ROtherham (1) 2 (Moore 7, 75)

COLCHESTER (0) 0

Att: 7,556

Rotherham: Mountford 6, Forrest 7, Breckin 7, Rhodes 6, Stancliffe 7, **★MULLEN 9**, Towner 7, Seasman 7, Moore 8, Fern 8, Henson 7.

Colchester: Walker 7, Cook 7, Wright 6, Leslie 6, Wignall 7, Packer 7, **★OSBORNE 8**, Foley 6, Bremner 7, McDonough 6, Cotton 6 (sub. Allinson 7).

Referee: P. N. Willis (Co. Durham)

Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (2) 2 (Garner 25, Hatton 35)

MILLWALL (0) 3 (Hayes 55, 69, Mitchell 62)

Att: 10,350
Sheff Utd: Conroy 6, Moore 6 (sub. Trusson), Garner 7, Houston 6, Jones 6, Kenworthy 6, Wiggin 7, **★GIVENS 8**, Charles 6, Hatton 7, Ryan 7.
Millwall: Jackson 6, Sinton 6, Roberts 6, Chatterton 7, Kitchener 7, Tagg 6, Dibble 7, Anderson 7, Horrix 6, Bartley 6 (sub. Mitchell 7), **★HAYES 8**.
Referee: M. R. Baker (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★★★

SWINDON (1) 2 (Rideout 37, Rowland 67)
EXETER (1) 2 (Pearson 4, Kellow 88)
Att: 6,509
Swindon: Allan 7, Henry 7, Carter 6, Kamara 6, Lewis 7, Stroud 5, Miller 6, **★HUGHES 8**, Rowland 7, Rideout 7, Williams 6.
Exeter: Main 7, Rogers 6, Sparrow 7, Forbes 6 (sub. Pratt), Roberts 6, Pearson 6, **★ROGERS 8**, Kellow 7, Roberts 6, L 7, Delve 7, Hatch 6.
Referee: C. B. White (Harrow)
Match Rating: ★★★

WALSALL (2) 4 (Rees 1, 28, O'Kelly 73, Hart 85)
CHESTERFIELD (1) 3 (Moss 16, 77, 86)
Att: 4,044
Walsall: Green, R 7, Macken 8, Mower 8, Harrison 7, Baines 8, Hart 8, **★REES 9**, Caswell 7, O'Kelly 8, Penn 7, Waddington, P 6 (sub. Waddington, S).
Chesterfield: Turner 7, Stirk 6, O'Neill 6, Tarri 6, Green, W 7, Ridley 8, Birch 8, **★MOSS 9**, Kowalski 7, Salmons 7, Walker 8 (sub. Crawford 7).
Referee: N. J. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★★★

Division Four

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
PORT VALE (0) 0
Att: 4,665
Bournemouth: Allen 7, Impey 7, Butler 6, **★SMITH 8**, Compton 6, Heffernan 6, Dawtrey 6, Morgan 6, Mooney 6, Spackman 6, Sulley 7.
Port Vale: Lloyd 7, Brissett 6, Bromage 7, Beech 6, Bowles 6, Sproson 7, **★HIGGINS 8**, Armstrong 6, Chamberlain, N 6, Chamberlain, M 7, Bennett 6.
Referee: M. Dimblebee (Stevenage)
Match Rating: ★★

BRADFORD (0) 0
BURY (0) 2 (Madden 77, 80)
Att: 2,242
Bradford: Ramsbottom 6, Podd 7, **★WOOD 8**, Ingham 6, Jackson 6, Thompson 7, Chapman 6 (sub. Hutchins 6), Staniforth 5, Campbell 5, McNiven 5, Gallagher 6.
Bury: **★SOUTHLAND 8**, Constantine 6, Kennedy 6, Gore 7, Hilton 7, Whitehead 7, Mullens 6 (sub. Goodwin 6), Butler 6, Madden 7, Jakub 6, Cruickshank 6.
Referee: M. Peck (Kendall)
Match Rating: ★★

HARTEPOOL (0) 1 (Harding 84)
STOCKPORT (0) 0
Att: 1,928
Hartlepool: Richardson 7, Linacre 7, Stimpson 6, Lawrence 6, Bird 7, Brown 7, **★KERR 8**, Linighan 6, Johnson 6 (sub. Hampton 6), Houchen 7, Harding 7.
Stockport: Lawson 7, Rutter 6, Sherlock 6, Fowler 7, Thorpe 7, **★SWORD 8**, Park 7, Sunley 7, Bradd 6, Galvin 7, Smith 6.
Referee: P. Richardson (Lincoln)
Match Rating: ★★

HEREFORD (0) 0
HALIFAX (1) 1 (Allatt 6)
Att: 2,588
Hereford: Cashiley 6, Price 6, Pejic 7, Hicks 7, Cornes 7, **★BARTLEY 8**, Harvey 6, Laidlaw 5, Showers 6, McGrellis 6 (sub. Spirin 6), White 6.
Halifax: Kilner 7, Ward 7, Harris 7, Evans 7, Ayre 7, Chambers 7, Firth 7, Graham 7, **★ALLATT 8**, Nattrass 6, McIlwraith 6.
Referee: M. J. McBride (Chessington)
Match Rating: ★★

NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Heeley 18)
LINCOLN (1) 1 (Hobson 24)
Att: 2,424

Northampton: Poole 7, Sandy 5, Gage 6, Farmer 7, Saunders 6, Denyer 6, Carlton 6, **★WILLIAMS 9**, Phillips 8, Bowen 7, Heeley 7.
Lincoln: Felgate 7, Carr 6, Hibberd 7, Hughes 6, Peake 6, Thompson 8, Neale 6, Turner 7, Hobson 7, Biggins 6, **★SHIPLEY 9**.
Referee: M. Taylor (Deal)
Match Rating: ★★★

PETERBOROUGH (1) 1 (Gynn 28)
MANSFIELD (0) 0
Att: 4,904
Peterborough: Waugh 7, Winters 6, Phillips 6, **★GYNN 9**, Slack 7, Foster 8, Quow 7, Kellock 7, Cooke 6, Hodgson 6, Syrett 6.
Mansfield: Sutton 6, McJanett 6, Wood 7, Burrows 6, McClelland 6, Bird 6, Caldwell 6, **★MANN 8**, Lumby 7, Parkinson 5 (sub. Hamilton 6), Thomson 6.
Referee: T. Bune (Cranleigh)
Match Rating: ★★★

ROCHDALE (0) 0
DARLINGTON (0) 0
Att: 1,845
Rochdale: Crawford 6, Jones 7, Snookes 7, Esser 6, Weir 7, Taylor 8, Wann 5, O'Loughlin 6, Hilditch 6, Wellings 6, **★MARTINEZ 9**.
Darlington: Cuff 6, Kamara 6, McLean 7, Smith 6, Skipper 7, Speedie 7, Hawker 6, **★WICKS 8**, Stalker 6, Hamilton 6, Walsh 7.
Referee: T. L. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ★★★

YORK (0) 0
WIMBLEDON (1) 1 (Cork 8)
Att: 2,026
York: **★BLACKBURN 8**, Hood 6, Walsh 6, Stanley 7, Clemence 6, Craig 5, Ford 6, Byrne 7, Randall 7, McDonald 6, Pugh 6.
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Jones 6, Armstrong 6, Denny 7, Smith 6, Cunningham 6, Ketteridge 6, Hodges 7, Leslie 7, **★CORK 8**, Downes 7.
Referee: G. E. Flint (Kirky-in-Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

CELTIC (0) 1 (McCluskey 85)
ABERDEEN (1) 1 (Harrow 17)
Att: 35,200
Celtic: Bonner 7, McGrain 7, Reid 6, Sullivan 7, McAdam 6, Aitken 6, Provan 7, McGarvey 6, Nicholas 6, Burns 7, **★MCCLUSKEY 8**.
Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 6, Considine 6, Rougvie 7, McLeish 6, Watson 7, McGee 7, Miller 6, Bell 7, Harrow 6, **★JARVIE 8**.
Referee: K. Hope (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★★

HEARTS (0) 0
DUNDEE UNITED (2) 4 (Sturrock 1, 66, Kirkwood 21, 83)
Att: 3,776
Hearts: Brough 6, Hamilton 6, More 7, Liddell 7, F. 7, Shields 6, Hammill 6, MacDonald 7, Kidd 6, O'Brien 6, **★GIBSON 8**, Liddell, G 7.
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Stark 6, Kopel 7, Hegarty 6, Payne 7, Narey 7, Phillip 7, Addison 6, **★BANNON 8**, Sturrock 7, Ward 6.
Referee: J. R. Renton (Cowdenbeath)
Match Rating: ★★★

KILMARNOCK (0) 0
AIRDRIE (1) 1 (Anderson, G 40)
Att: 1,849
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 7, Robin 6, Cockburn 7, Clark 6, Armstrong 6, McDicken 7, McBride 6 (sub. Hughes 6), McLean 7, Bourke 6, **★MAUCHLEN 8**, Docherty 7.
Airdrie: Gardiner 7, Cairney 6, Rodger 7, Walker 6, Anderson, G 6, McCluskey 7, Flood 7 (sub. Thomson), Clark 6, Anderson, N 7, **★McKEOWN 8**, McGuire 6.
Referee: I. Foote (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★★

PARTICK (1) 3 (Watson 17, Higgins 52, Rooney, og 83)
MORTON (1) 1 (Rooney 15)
Att: 2,000
Partick: McNab 7, Welsh 6, Lapsley 7, Anderson 6 (sub. Sweeney), Campbell 7, McDonald 6, Jardine 7, Watson 6 (sub. McKinnon), Park 7, **★HIGGINS 8**, Clark 6.
Morton: Baines 7, Hayes 6, Holmes 7, McLaughlin 7, Marr 6, Rooney 6, Cochrane 5 (sub. Hutchison), Busby 7, **★TOLMIE 8**, Thomson 6, Ritchie 6 (sub. Houston).
Referee: M. Delaney (Cleland)
Match Rating: ★★★

ST MIRREN (1) 2 (Richardson 24, 80)
RANGERS (0) 1 (Dawson 49)
Att: 9,988
St Mirren: Thomson 7, McCormack 6, McAvety 6, Copeland 7, Fulton 6, Stark 7, Abercrombie 6, Weir 6 (sub. Logan 7), **★MCDOUGALL 8**, Richardson 7, Bone 6.
Rangers: Stewart 7, Miller 6, Dawson 6, Forsyth 6, Jackson 6, Bett 7, **★RUSSELL 8**, McLean 6 (sub. Jardine), McAdam 7, Redford 6, Johnston 6 (sub. Cooper).
Referee: A. Waddle (Penicuik)
Match Rating: ★★★

First Division

AYR (0) 0
HIBERNIAN (1) 1 (Jamieson 44)
Att: 2,997

DUNDEE (0) 0
BERWICK (0) 0
Att: 4,000

DUNFERMLINE (0) 1 (Jenkins 57)
MOTHERWELL (3) 3 (Gaghan 21, Irvine 36, Kidd, pen 43)
Att: 1,800

HAMILTON (0) 2 (Brown 75, Craig 88)
EAST STIRLING (1) 2 (Lamont 1, Gourlay 57)
Att: 1,200

RAITH ROVERS (0) 0
FALKIRK (0) 0
Att: 3,000

ST JOHNSTONE (1) 2 (Brogan 9, Kilgour 58)
DUMBARTON (1) 1 (Gallagher 43)
Att: 2,647

STIRLING ALBION (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 0
Att: 600

Second Division

ALBION ROVERS (0) 0
COWDENBEATH (0) 2 (Forrest 46, Liddle 83)
Att: 720

ARBROATH (0) 0
ALLOA (0) 3 (Spence 49, Grant 61, McIntosh 77)
Att: 760

CLYDE (2) 6 (McAlpine 31, O'Neill 39, Masterton 51, Evans 60, Ahern 63, Dolan 70)
MONROSE (0) 0
Att: 980

FORFAR (2) 3 (Farningham 22, 34, Watt 71)
MEADOWBANK (0) 1 (Spott 75)
Att: 860

QUEENS PARK (0) 1 (McSkimming 78)
BRECHIN (0) 0
Att: 870

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 0
STENHOUSEMUIR (2) 2 (Jack 21, Hancock 37)
Att: 670

STRANRAER (1) 1 (Murphy 3)
EAST FIFE (1) 1 (Thomson 5)
Att: 690

Match FACTS

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Match FACTS

Sunday, March 29

Division Three

PORPSMOUTH (1) 1 (Gregory 2)
OXFORD (1) 1 (Cassells 10)
 Att: 12,243
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, McLoughlin 7, Viney 5, Doyle 5, **AIZLEWOOD** 8, Ellis 6, Gregory 6, Tari 5, Fafferty 6, Barnard 5, Ayreton 5 (sub. Hemmerman).
Oxford: Burton 6, Doyle 6, Fog 7, Jeffrey 5, Briggs 7, Shotton 7, Jones 7, Foley 6, Smithers 5, **CASSELLS** 8, Berry 5 (sub. Seacole 6).
 Referee: L. F. Burden (Dorset)
 Match Rating: ★★★

Division Four

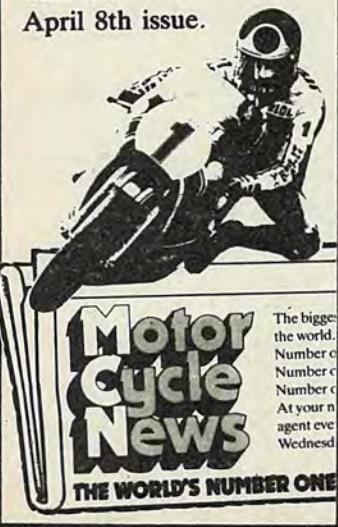
TORQUAY (2) 2 (Jones 22, Cox 40)
ALDERSHOT (0) 0
 Att: 2,086
Torquay: **O'KEEFE** 9, Jones 8, Pethard 6, Coffill 8, Hayes 6, Wilson 6, Twitchin 6, Bowker 6, Cox 7, Cooper 6, Weston 6.
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Crosby 6, Wooler 6, Briley 6, Youlden 6, **JOPLIN** 8, Lucas 7, Scott 7, Sanford 6, Robinson 6, Garwood 6.
 Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
 Match Rating: ★★★

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Mungall 23, Kelly 89)
WIGAN (2) 3 (Houghton 3, 12, 86)
 Att: 3,437
Tranmere: Johnson 6, Hamilton 5, Flood 6, Bramhall 6, Parry 5 (sub. Griffiths 5), Evans 6, Peplow 6, **MUNGALL** 7, Beamish 5, Kerr 5, Kelly 6.

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Wigan: Ward 6, Curtis 6, McAdam 6, Cribley 6, Methven 7, Lloyd 7, Urquhart, G 6, Wright 6, Quinn, M 5, **HUGHTON** 8, Corrigan 6.
 Referee: K. Hackett (Sheffield)
 Match Rating: ★★★

Tuesday, March 31

Division One

ARSENAL (1) 2 (Stapleton 27, O'Leary 81)
BIRMINGHAM (0) 1 (Worthington 58)
 Att: 17,431
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Devine 7 (sub. McDermott 6), **SANSOM** 8, Talbot 6, O'Leary 7, Young 6, Davis 7, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 7, Nicholas 7, Rix 6.
Birmingham: Wealands 6, Langan 6, Dennis 6, Dillon 6, Gallagher 6, Todd 7, Ainscow 7, Evans 6 (sub. Bertschin), **WORTHINGTON** 8, Gemmill 7, Broadhurst 6.
 Referee: T. D. Spencer (Wiltshire)
 Match Rating: ★★★

LEEDS (2) 3 (Hird, pen 7, Harris 15, Hart 84)
IPSWICH (0) 0
 Att: 26,462
Leeds: Lukic 7, Greenhoff 6, Gray 6, Flynn 7, Hart 7, Cherry 7, **HARRIS** 9, Hird 7, Parlane 8, Stevenson 8, Graham 7.
Ipswich: Cooper 7, **MILLS** 8, McCall 6 (sub. O'Callaghan), Thijssen 6, Osman 5, Butcher 6, Wark 5, Muhran 6, Mariner 6, Brazil 5, Gates 7.
 Referee: D. Richardson (Great Harwood)
 Match Rating: ★★★★

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 3 (Reeves 27, 61, Henry 83)
LEICESTER (0) 3 (Williams 68, Young 72, Melrose 76)
 Att: 26,141
Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 5, McDonald 6, Reid 7, **POWER** 8, Caton 6, Bennett 6, Henry 7, Mackenzie 6, Hutchison 7, Reeves 7.
Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 6, Friar 6, Byrne 5 (sub. McDonald), May 6, Welsh 6, Lynex 6, Melrose 6, Young 6, **WILSON** 8, Grewcock 6.
 Referee: K. Hackett (Sheffield)
 Match Rating: ★★★

WEST BROM (1) 2 (Robson 22, Brown, A 71)
EVERTON (0) 0
 Att: 14,833
WBA: Godden 7, Batson 6, Statham 7, Moses 6, **WILE** 8, Bennett 6 (sub. Brown, A 7), Robson 7, Deehan 5, Regis 5, Mills 6, Barnes 6.
Everton: McDonagh 7, Gidman 6, Ratcliffe 6, Wright 6, Stanley 6, Ross 6, McMahon 5 (sub. Varadi 6), Eastoe 7, Telfer 6, **HARTFORD** 8, Lodge 6.
 Referee: R. Toseland (Market Harborough)
 Match Rating: ★★

PRIZEWINNERS
 THE six lucky winners of our 'Win an Aston Villa annual' competition (March 28 issue), are:
 Kevin Forward, Aberdare, Mid. Glam; Kerry Lane, Ferndown, Dorset; Ian Moore, Edgbaston, Birmingham; M. Collier, Heywood, Lancs; Ian Sykes, Woodstock, Oxford; Christopher Gates, Lympington, Hampshire.
 The identity of the six Aston Villa players in the wall was (left to right): Peter Withe, Gary Shaw, Dennis Mortimer, Des Bremner, Kenny Swain and Gordon Cowans.

Division Two

DERBY (0) 0
SWANSEA (0) 1 (Charles 65)
 Att: 16,210
Derby: Jones 6, Emery 5, Buckley 6, Powell, S 7, McFarland 7 (sub. Sheridan), **POWELL**, B 8, Wilson 6, Hector 5, Duncan 5, Swindlehurst 6, Emson 5.
Swansea: Stewart 6, Evans 6, Hadziabdic 6 (sub. Curtis), Attley 7, Stevenson 7, Lewis 7, Giles 7, **JAMES**, R 9, James, L 7, Charles 7, Craig 7.
 Referee: M. Dimblebee (Stevenage)
 Match Rating: ★★★

ORIENT (1) 4 (Chiedozie 13, Jennings 61, 74, Taylor, P 67)
OQR (0) 0
 Att: 6,742
Orient: **DAY** 8, Fisher 7, Roffey 6, Taylor, T 6, Gray 5, Moores 6, Chiedozie 7 (sub. Godfrey), Bowles 7, Jennings 7, Hughton 6, Taylor, P 7.
OQR: Burridge 5, Shanks 6, Gillard 5 (sub. Silkman 6), Fenwick 6, Wicks 5, Roeder 7, **FLANAGAN** 8, Francis 7, Sealey 7, Currie 7, Waddock 7.
 Referee: A. J. Hamil (West Midlands)
 Match Rating: ★★★★

WREXHAM (0) 0
LUTON (0) 0
 Att: 4,157
Wrexham: Davies 7, Hill 6, Dwyer 7, **JONES**, J 8, Cegielski 5, Carrodus 5, Fox 6, Arkwright 5, Vinter 6, Buxton 5, Jones S 6 (sub. Williams 6).
Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 6, Donaghy 7, Greash 7, Saxby 6, Price 6, Hill 6, Stein 6, White 5 (sub. Ingram), **ANTIC** 8, Moss 7.
 Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
 Match Rating: ★★

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 1 (Jack 50)
MEADOWBANK (0) 1 (Boyd 48)
 Att: 650

Bury: **SOUTHALL** 9, Constantine 7, Whitehead 8, Howard 6, Kennedy 7, Gore 6, Cruickshank 6, Jakub 5, Mullen 7, Madden 7, Sutcliffe 7.
Doncaster: Boyd 7, Russell 6, Saunders 6, **LALLY** 8, Snodin, G 7, Snodin, I 7, Harle 7, Lister 7, Pugh 7, Dawson 6, Nimmo 5.
 Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke)
 Match Rating: ★★★

WIMBLEDON (1) 1 (Hodges 20)

WIGAN (0) 0

Att: 2,638

Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Jones 7, Armstrong 7, Denny 6, Smith 7, Cunningham 7, Ketteridge 7, Hodges 7 (sub. Joseph), **LESLIE** 8, Cork 7, Downes 7.
Wigan: Ward 7, Curtis 7, McAdam 6, Cribley 7, Methven 7, Lloyd 7, Urquhart, G 6, Wright 6, Quinn, M 7, **HUGHTON** 8, Corrigan 7.

Referee: A. Gunn (Burgess Hill)
 Match Rating: ★★★

SCOTTISH

Division One

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 1 (Jack 50)
MEADOWBANK (0) 1 (Boyd 48)

Att: 650

Anglo-Scottish Cup

Anglo-Scottish Cup Final Second Leg

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 1 (Masson 73)
CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Crawford 88)
 Att: 12,951
 Chesterfield win 2-1 on aggregate

Welsh Cup Semi-Final Second Leg

NEWPORT (0) 1 (Lowndes 84)
HEREFORD (0) 1 (Bartley 71)
 Att: 5,994
 Hereford win 3-2 on aggregate

Wednesday, April 1

League Cup Final - Replay

LIVERPOOL (2) 2 (Dalglish 25, Hansen 29)
WEST HAM (1) 1 (Goddard 10)

Att: 36,693 (At Villa Park)
 Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Kennedy, A 7, Thompson 7, Kennedy, R 8, Hansen 7, **DALGLISH** 9, Lee 8, Rush 7, McDermott 8, Case 7.

West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Lampard 6, Bonds 7, Martin 7, Devonshire 5, **NEIGHBOUR** 8, Goddard 7, Cross 5, Brooking 6, Pike 6 (sub. Pearson).

Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)

Match Rating: ★★★★

SCOTTISH

Premier Division

ABERDEEN (1) 3 (Simpson 9, McGhee 64, McLeish 77)

PARTICK (0) 1 (Watson 58)

Att: 9,000

Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 7, Rougvie 6, Watson 6, McLeish 7, Miller 7, Simpson 6, Angus 6, **McGHEE** 8, Harrow 6, Scanlon 6.

Partick: McNab 7, McKinnon 6, Whittaker 7, Welsh 6, Campbell 6, **WATSON** 8, Park 6, McDonald 6, Higgins 7, Lapsley 6, Clark 6.

Referee: I. Foote (Clarkston)

Match Rating: ★★★

CELTIC (3) 6 (McCluskey, pen 28, 48, Provan 29, McGarvey 31, McLeod 62, 75)

HEARTS (0) 0

Att: 13,300

Division Four

BURY (1) 2 (Howard 14, Madden 81)
DONCASTER (0) 0
 Att: 3,394

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Division Four

Celtic: Bonnar 6, McGrain 7, Reid 6, Sullivan 7, McAdam 6, Aitken 6, Provan 7, McLeod 7, McGarvey 6, Burns 7, ★**McCLUSKEY** 8.
Hearts: Brough 7, Denny 6, Shields 7, Kidd 6, More 5, Bowman 6, Hamill 7, MacDonald 7, Mackay 6, Gibson 7 (sub. Robertson 6), ★**LIDDELL** 8.
Referee: B. McGinlay (Balfron)
Match Rating: ★★★★

RANGERS (2) 4 (Johnstone 16, 87, Redford 33, McDonald 75)

MORTON (0) 0

Att: 4,800

Rangers: Stewart 7, Miller 6, Dawson 7, Forsyth 6, Jackson 6, Bett 7, McLaine 6, Russell 7, Johnstone 7, ★**REDFORD** 8.
Morton: Baines 6, Hayes 6, Holmes 6, Rooney 7, McLaughlin 6, Orr 7, McNeil 6, ★**BUSBY** 8, Thomson 6, Tolmie 6, Ritchie 5.

Referee: A. Ferguson (Giffnock)
Match Rating: ★★★

First Division

DUNDEE (1) 2 (Sinclair 43, Fraser 53)
RAITH (0) 1 (Candlish 50)
 Att: 6,178

DUNFERMLINE (2) 2 (McNaughton 9, 42)
CLYDEBANK (0) 1 (Miller 47)
 Att: 1,300

EAST STIRLING (0) 1 (McCaig 60)
STIRLING (0) 0
 Att: 800

Second Division

CLYDE (0) 1 (Ahern, pen 75)
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 4 (Gordon 34, Phillips 56, Robertson, pen 68. Alexander 87)
 Att: 500

COWDENBEATH (0) 1 (Hunter 56)
FORFAR (1) 2 (Watt 26, 78)
 Att: 500

QUEENS PARK (0) 1 (McCoy 72)
MONROSE (0) 0
 Att: 700

Friday, April 3

Division One

LIVERPOOL (1) 3 (Wheelan 28, McDermott 52, 81)
STOKE (0) 0
 Att: 33,308
Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Kennedy, A 8, Thompson 7, ★**WHEELAN** 9, Hansen 7, Dalglish 8, Lee 7, Rush 8, McDermott 8, Case 7.
Stoke: Fox 7, Evans 7, ★**MUNRO** 8, Dodd 7, O'Callaghan 6, Doyle 6, Ursem 7, Bracewell 6, Chapman 6, Heath 7, McGuire 6.
Referee: P. Tyldesley (Cheshire)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

GILLINGHAM (1) 1 (Price 42)
WALSALL (0) 0
 Att: 4,112
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 6, Ford 7, Bruce 7, Weatherly 7, Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, Duncan 6, Price 7, ★**LEE** 8, White 6.
Walsall: Green 7, Macken 7, Mower 6, ★**HARRISON** 8, Serella 6, Hart 7, Rees 6 (sub. Waddington, S 6), O'Kelly 6, Baines 6, Penn 7, Waddington, P 7.
Referee: J. E. Martin (Alton)
Match Rating: ★★★

CREWE (0) 2 (Palios 51, Conroy 85)

HARTELEPOOL (0) 0

Att: 2,419

Crewe: Mulhearn 7, McMahon 7, Lewis 7 (sub. Coyne), Hunter 8, Scott 6, ★**PROPHETT** 9, Conroy 7, Davies 7, Chesters 8, Palios 7, Bowers 6.
Hartlepool: Richardson 7, Linacre 7, Stimpson 7, Lawrence 8, Bird 6, Brown 6, Kerr 7, Lingnhan 7, Johnson 6 (sub. Hampton 6), Houchen 7, ★**HARDING** 9.
Referee: M. P. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★★

STOCKPORT (1) 1 (Bradd 10)

SOUTHEND (0) 0

Att: 2,278

Stockport: Lawson 6, Rutter 7, Sherlock 7, Fowler 6, ★**TORPHE** 8, Sword 7, Williams 6, Sunley 6, Bradd 7, Park 7, Galvin 7.
Southend: Cawston 6, Stead 7, Yates 7, Hadley 6 (sub. Nelson), Moody 7, ★**CUSACK** 8, Gray 6, Pountney 7, Spence 7, Mercer 6, Utulakowski 7.
Referee: H. Taylor (Oadby)
Match Rating: ★★★★

Saturday, April 4

Division One

BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 (Evans 20, Broadhurst 76)

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Bell 66)

Att: 12,472

Birmingham: Wealands 7, Langan 6, Dennis 7, Dillon 7, Gallagher 6, Todd 6, Ainscow 6, Evans 7, Bertschin 6, Gemmill 6, ★**BROADHURST** 8.
Middlesbrough: Platt 6, Natrass 6, Bailey 7, Askew 6, Angus 6, McAndrew 6, Woof 5, Bell 7, Macdonald 5, Shearer 6, ★**ARMSTRONG** 8.
Referee: A. W. Ward (London)
Match Rating: ★★★

BRIGHTON (0) 0

ARSENAL (1) 1 (Hollins 31)

Att: 21,015

Brighton: Digweed 6, Stevens 6, Williams 6, Horton 5, Foster 6, Lawrenson 6, Gregory 5, Stille 5 (sub. Ritchie 6), ★**ROBINSON** 7, Smith 5, McNab 6.
Arsenal: Jennings 6, Devine 7, Sansom 7, Talbot 6, O'Leary 6, Young 6, ★**HOLLINS** 8, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 6, Davis 6, Rix 6.
Referee: S. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★★

LEEDS (1) 3 (Stevenson 23, Parlance 64, Flynn 71)

COVENTRY (0) 0

Att: 15,882

Leeds: Lukic 7, Greenhoff 6, Gray 7, Flynn 7, Hart 7, Firm 6, Harris 7, Hirsh 6, Parlance 7 (sub. Butterworth), ★**STEVENSON** 8, Graham 6.
Coventry: Sealey 6, Coop 5, Roberts 6, Thomas 6, Dyson 5, Gillespie 6, Bodak 5 (sub. Bannister 6), ★**DALY** 7, Thompson 6, English 6, Hunt 6.
Referee: D. B. Allison (Lancaster)
Match Rating: ★★★

LEICESTER (2) 2 (Lynex 15, pen 44)

ASTON VILLA (2) 4 (Withe 26, 49, Bremner 33, Morley 56)

Att: 26,032

Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 7, Friar 7, Byrne 6, May 6, Scott 6, Lynex 7, Melrose 6, ★**YOUNG** 8, Wilson 7, Grecock 7.
Aston Villa: ★**RIMMER** 8, Swain 7, Williams 6, Evans 6, McNaught 6, Mortimer 6, Bremner 7, Shaw 7, Withe 7, Cowans 6, Morley 7.
Referee: T. L. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 1 (Duxbury 77)

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0

Att: 37,974

Man Utd: Bailey 6, ★**DUXBURY** 8, Alston 6, Moran 6, McQueen 6, Buchan 6, Coppel 7, Birtles 7, Jordan 7, Macari 7, Thomas 6 (sub. Wilkins 6).
Crystal Palace: Barron 6, Lovell 6, Hinshelwood 6, Price 7, Boyle 7, Gilbert 6, Bason 5, Brooks 6, Walsh 6, Langley 6.

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Referee: J. E. Bray (Hinckley)

Match Rating: ★★★

NORWICH (2) 2 (Barham 12, McDowell, pen 32)

MANCHESTER CITY (0) 0

Att: 17,957

Norwich: Woods 7, McDowell 7, Downs 6, McGuire 6, Walsword 8, Watson 7, O'Neill 7 (sub. Bennett 6), Fashanu 7, Royle 8, Paddon 7, ★**BARHAM** 9.

Man City: Corrigan 7, Ranson 7, McDonald 7, Reid 6, Power 7, ★**BOOTH** 8, Bennett 6, Henry 7, Mackenzie 6, Hutchison 6, Reeves 7.

Referee: R. Lewis (Gt. Bookham)

Match Rating: ★★★

SOUTHAMPTON (2) 2 (Keegan 18, Channon 39)

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0

Att: 22,712

Southampton: Wells 7, Golac 7, Holmes 6, ★**WILLIAMS** 8, Watson 7, Nicholl 7, Keegan 7, Channon 7 (sub. Puckett), Baker 7, Moran 6, Ball 6.

Nottingham Forest: ★**SHILTON** 8, Anderson 6, Gray 5, Gray 6, Asa 5, Burns 5, Mills 6, Wallace 5, Francis 6, Walsh 6, Robertson 5.

Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)

Match Rating: ★★★

SUNDERLAND (0) 0

WOLVES (0) 1 (Gray 72)

Att: 20,138

Sunderland: Siddall 6, Whitworth 7, Bolton 7, ★**HINDMARSH** 8, Elliott 7, Chisholm 6, Arnott 6, Brown 6 (sub. Rowell 6), Ritchie 5, Bowyer 5, Cummings 6.

Wolves: Bradshaw 7, Palmer 7, Parkin 7, Clarke 7, McAlle 7, ★**BERRY** 8, Atkinson 6, Carr 6, Bell 6, Teasdale 6, Eves 6 (sub. Gray 7).

Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield)

Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (0) 2 (Crooks 49, Galvin 74)

EVERTON (2) 2 (Hartford 13, Varadi 30)

Att: 27,208

Spurs: Aleksic 6, Hughton 6, Miller 6, Roberts 6, Brooke 5 (sub. ★**VILLA** 8), Perryman 7, Ardiles 6, Archibald 6, Galvin 7, Hodde 6, Crooks 7.

Everton: McDonagh 7, Gidman 6, Bailey 6, Wright 6, Stanley 6, Ross 7, Lyons 6, Eastoe 6, ★**VARADIS** 8 (sub. Telfer 6), Lodge 6, Hartford 7.

Referee: M. Taylor (Kent)

Match Rating: ★★★★

WEST BROM (2) 3 (Brown, A 8, Batson 44, Barnes 56)

IPSWICH (1) 1 (Brazil 9)

Att: 22,216

WBA: Godden 8, Batson 7, Statham 7, Moses 7, Wile 8, Robertson 7, Robson 7, Brown, A 6, Regis 5, Owen 7, ★**BARNES** 9.

Ipswich: Cooper 7, Steggles 7 (sub. Parkin 7), McCall 7, Mills 7, Osman 6, Butcher 6, Wark 6, Muhrum 6, O'Callaghan 6, ★**BRAZIL** 8, Gates 7.

Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)

Match Rating: ★★★

Division Two

BRISTOL CITY (0) 3 (Hay 57, Mann 63, Tainton 76)

ORIENT (1) 1 (Jennings 78)

Att: 5,803

Bristol City: Moller 6, Stevens 7, ★**GRAY** 8, Aitken 6, Marshall 7, Sweeney 6, Tainton 7, Mann 6, Mabbatt 6, Chandler 7, Smith 6, Orient: Day 5, Fisher 7, Roffey 6, Taylor, T 7, ★**GRAY** 8, Moores 6, Chiedozie 7 (sub. Mayo 6), Bowles 6, Jennings 6, Hughton 5, Taylor, P. 6.

Referee: C. L. Newsome (Shropshire)

Match Rating: ★★

CAMBRIDGE (1) 2 (Fallon 35, O'Neill 70)

BOLTON (1) 3 (Reid 13, Nikolic 62, Whatmore 85)

Att: 4,512

Cambridge: Key 6, ★**DONALDSON** 8, Murray 6, Smith 6, Fallon 6, Finney 6, Streets 6, Spriggs 7, Reilly 6, Lyons 6, O'Neill 6.

Bolton: Poole 6, Nicholson 6, Walsh 6, Reid 6, Jones 6, ★**CANTELLA** 8, Nikolic 7, Whatmore 7, Thomas 6, Hoggan 6, Gowling 6.

Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)

Match Rating: ★★★

Sending Off: Fallon (Cambridge)

CHELSEA (0) 0

CARDIFF (0) 1 (Stevens 46)

Att: 11,569

Chelsea: Borota 7, Locke 7, Rose 7, Bumstead 7, Droy 6, Chivers 7, Driver 6, Fillery 7, Lee 6, ★**WALKER** 8, Rhoades-Brown 6.

Cardiff: Healey 8, Jones 7, Sullivan 7, Grapes 6, Pontin 8, ★**Dwyer** 9, Lewis 6, Kitchen 8, Stevens 7, Ronson 6, Buchanan 7.

Referee: B. Martin (Keyworth)

Match Rating: ★★★

PRESTON (1) 1 (Bruce 33)

OLDHAM (2) 2 (Wyke 31, Atkinson 40)

Att: 6,154

Preston: Tunks 7, Taylor 7, Coleman 6, Haslegrave 7, Baxter 7, Blackley 7, Doyle 7, Bell 7, McGee 6, Houston 7, ★**BRUCE** 8.

Oldham: ★**MCDONELL** 8, Edwards 7, Blair 7, Keegan 7, Clements 7, Futcher 7, Wyke 7, Heaton 7, Steel 6, Palmer 7, Atkinson 6 (sub. McDonough).

Referee: A. J. Hamil (Wolverhampton)

Match Rating: ★★★

QPR (1) 1 (Francis, pen 42)

GRIMSBY (0) 0

Att: 8,906

QPR: Burridge 7, Shanks 7, Gillard 8, Silkman 6, Wicks 6, Roeder 6, Flanagan 8, ★**FRANCIS** 9, Sealy 8, Currie 8, Waddock 8.

Grimsby: Batch 7, Stone 5, Crombie 6.

Waterters: Wigginton 7, Moore 6, Brolly 6 (sub. Kilmore), Whymark 6, Drinkell 7, Mitchell 6, Cumming 6.

Referee: M. R. Baker (Staffs.)

Match Rating: ★★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 3 (Mirocevic 26, Curran 49, 50)

LUTON (0) 1 (Ingram 74)

Att: 17,006

Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Blackhall 7, Grant 7, Smith 6, Shirtliff 7, Mellor 7, Mirocevic 7, Johnson 6, Taylor 6 (sub. Hornsby), McCulloch 7, ★**CURRAN** 9.

Luton: Findlay 6, Stephens 7, Aizlewood 6, Greaham 7, Saxby 7, Price 6, Hill 7 (sub. ★**INGRAM** 8), Stein 6, Donaghy 6, Antic 6, Moss 6.

Referee: R. A. Banks (Manchester)

Match Rating: ★★★★

SHEREWSBURY (1) 1 (King 22)

DERBY (0) 0

Att: 6,668

Shrewsbury: Wardle 7, King 7, Leonard 7, Turner 7, Griffin 7, Keay 7, Tong 7, ★**ATKINS** 8, Dungworth 7, Biggins 6, Cross 6 (sub. Bates).

Derby: Jones 6, Emery 7, Buckley 7, ★**POWELL**, S 8, Sheridan 6, Powell, B 7, Reid 6, Hector 7, Wilson 6 (sub. Gibson), Swindlehurst 6, Clayton 6.

Referee: B. Stevens (Gloucester)

Match Rating: ★★★

Sending Off: Swindlehurst (Derby)

SWANSEA (0) 2 (Stevenson 57, James, L 75)

BLACKBURN (0) 0

Att: 12,011

Swansea: Stewart 6, Evans 6, Hadziabdic 7, Attley 6, Stevenson 7, Lewis 6, Giles 6, James, R 7, ★**JAMES**, L 8, Charles 7, Craig 6.

Blackburn: Arnold 6, Branagan 5, Rathbone 6, ★**KENDALL** 7, Keeley 6, Fazackerley 6, Garner 6, Busby 6, Lowey 6, Round 5, Speight 6.

Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke)

Match Rating: ★★★★

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WATFORD (0) 0
NEWCASTLE (0) 0

Att: 10,986
Watford: Sherwood 6, Rice 5, Pritchett 5, Taylor 6, **SIMS** 7, Bolton 6, Ward 5, Blissett 6, Armstrong 6, Jackett 5, Poskett 5.
Newcastle: Carr 6, **BROWNIE** 7, Davies 6, Martin 5, Barton 6, Halliday 6, Shoulder 5, Trewick 5, Harford 4, Wharton 5, Walker 6.

Referee: R. Challis (Tonbridge)

Match Rating: ★★

WEST HAM (1) 2 (Pike 32, Goddard 50)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0

Att: 23,544
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Lampard 6, Bonds 7, Brush 5, Devonshire 7, Neighbour 6, Goddard 6, Cross 6, **BROOKING** 8, Pike 7.
Bristol Rovers: McAllister 7, Gillies 6, Jones 6, McCaffery 5, Hughes 6, **EMMANUEL** 8, Williams, G 5 (sub. Cooper 7), Williams, D 5, Randall 5, Penny 5, Mabbott 6.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Harrogate)

Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

BURNLEY (0) 0
SWINDON (0) 0

Att: 4,726
Burnley: Stevenson 6, Laws 6, Dobson 6, **OVERSON** 8, Holt 6, Phelan 7, Young 6, Robertson 7, Potts 6 (sub. Cavener 6), Taylor 6, Hamilton 6.
Swindon: **ALLEN** 8, Henry 6, Stroud 6, Lewis 6, Carter 6, Miller 6, Kamara 7, Hughes 6, Williams 6, Rowland 6, Rideout 7.

Referee: A. Chandler (Maltby)

Match Rating: ★★

CARLISLE (0) 0
PORTSMOUTH (0) 0

Att: 4,299
Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Coady 6, Watson 6, Hamilton 7, Houghton 7, Parker 7, Haigh 7, **COUGHLIN** 8, Robson 6, Beardsley 7, Staniforth 6.
Portsmouth: **MELLOR** 8, McLaughlin 7, Viney 6, Doyle 7, Croft 6, Garner 7, Gregory 7, Tait 7, Rafferty 6, Barnard 7, Rogers 6.
Referee: A. Dobson (Blackburn)

Match Rating: ★★★

CHESTER (1) 2 (Ludlam 20, 64)

BARNESLEY (1) 2 (Parker 35, Glavin 89)
Att: 4,680
Chester: Millington 6, Needham 5, Raynor 5, Storton 6, Cottam 4, Oakes 6, **SUTCLIFFE** 8, Jones 6, Fear 7, Birch 5, Ludlam 7.
Barnsley: Pierce 5, Joyce 6, Riley 5, Glavin 7, **BANKS** 8, McCarthy 6, Evans 5 (sub. Cooper 5), Parker 7, Aylott 7, McHale 6, Barrowclough 5.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)

Match Rating: ★★★★

CHESTERFIELD (0) 0
FULHAM (0) 0

Att: 6,756
Chesterfield: Gregory 6, Stark 5, O'Neill 6, Kowalski 7, Green 6, **RIDLEY** 8, Birch 5, Moss 6, Bonnyman 5, Salmons 5 (sub. Crawford), Walker 6.
Fulham: Stannard 7, Lock 6, Strong 6, Greenaway 6, Brown 6, Gale 6, Davies 5, Beck 6, Coney 7, Wilson 6, **LEWINGTON** 8.

Referee: A. Porter (Bolton)

Match Rating: ★★

CHARLTON (1) 1 (Madden 17)

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 2 (Brown 59, Kindon 61)
Att: 8,878
Charlton: Johns 7, Naylor 6, Warman 6, Madden 7, **BERRY** 8, Tydeman 7, Powell 6, Walsh 6, Robinson 7, Smith 6 (sub. Gritt), Walker 7.
Huddersfield: Rankin 7, Brown 7, Robinson 6, Stanton 6, Sutton 7, Harvey 7, Lillis 7, **KENNEDY** 8, Kindon 7, Robins 6, Cowling 7.

Referee: A. R. Glasson (Wiltshire)

Match Rating: ★★

COLCHESTER (1) 1 (Allinson 13)

SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (Wigan 52)
Att: 2,439
Colchester: Walker 6, Cook 6, Wright 6, Leslie 5, Wignall 7, Packer 6, **OSBORNE** 8, Longhorn 7, Bremner 7, McDonough 6, Allinson 7.
Sheff Utd: Conroy 6, Casey 7, Garner 7, Houston 7, McPhail 6, Kenworthy 5, Wigan 7, Givens 6, Charles 6, Hatton 6, **RYAN** 8.

Referee: K. Salmon (Hadley Wood)

Match Rating: ★★

EXETER (1) 3 (Pearson 1, 71, Kellow 87)

READING (0) 1 (Kearney 60)
Att: 3,811
Exeter: Nute 5, Rogers, M 5, Sparrow 6, Forbes 6, Roberts, L 7, Roberts, P 7, **PEARSON** 8, Rogers, P 7, Kellow 6, Ireland 7, Hatch 6.
Reading: Deat 7, Williams 6, Lewis 6, **BOWMAN** 8, Barnes 7, Hetzke 6, Joslyn 6 (sub. Dixon 6), Kearney 7, Heale 7, Sanchez 7, Earles 6.

Referee: D. W. Civil (Wolverhampton)

Match Rating: ★★★

MILLWALL (0) 0

ROTHERHAM (1) 1 (Fern 25)
Att: 5,041
Millwall: Jackson 7, Sutton 7, Roberts 6, Chatterton 6, Kitchener 8, Tagg 6, Dibble 7, **ANDERSON** 9, Horrix 6, Mitchell 6 (sub. Bartley 7), Hayes 7.
Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 7, Breckin 7, Rhodes 6, Stancliffe 7, Mullen 6, Towner 6, Seasman 7, Moore 7, **FERN** 9, Henson 7.

Referee: T. Spencer (Salisbury)

Match Rating: ★★★★

BURY (2) 2 (Whitehead 31, Mullen 38)

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Parry 9, Evans 71)
Att: 2,425

Bury: Southall 7, Constantine 7, **WHITEHEAD** 8, Howard 7, Kennedy 6, Gore 5, Cruickshank 5, Jakub 6, Mullen 6, Madden 6, Butler 6.

Tranmere: Johnson 7, Mungall 6, Bramhall 7, **PARRY** 8, Flood 6, Hamilton 7, Evans 6, Griffiths 5, Kelly 5, Beamish 5 (sub. Peplow 6), Kerr 6.

NEWPORT (1) 3 (Waddle 12, Aldridge 80, 85)

BLACKPOOL (0) 1 (Williams 69)

Att: 4,514

Newport: Kendall 6, Walden 6, Relish 6, Davies 7, Oakes 7, Bailey 6, Vaughan 6, Lowndes 6, Waddle 7, Bishop 6 (sub. **ALDRIDGE** 8), Moore 7.

Blackpool: Hesford 6, **AASHURST** 8, Pashley 6, Noble 6, Thompson 6, McEwan 7, Hockaday 6, Williams 7, Harrison 6, Morris 7, Bamber 6.

Referee: T. Bune (Cranleigh)

Match Rating: ★★★

OXFORD (0) 1 (Fogg, pen 69)

BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Booker 54)

Att: 3,873

Oxford: Burton 6, Fogg 6, **SMITHERS** 7, Jeffrey 6, Briggs 6, Shotton 5, Jones 5, Foley 6, Thomas 6, Cassells 6, Seacole 5 (sub. Graydon 6).

Brentford: McKellar 6, Tucker 5, Hill 6, Salmon 7, Kruse 5, Harris 6, Shrub 6, **BOOKER** 8, Johnson 6, Walker 5, Roberts 5.

Referee: E. A. Read (Bristol)

Match Rating: ★★

PLYMOUTH (0) 0

HULL (0) 0

Att: 4,668

Plymouth: Crugdington 6, **NISBET** 8, Harrison 6, Hodges 6, Foster 6, Phillipson-Masters 5, Collins 5, Kemp 5, Sims 6, Randell 7, Murphy 6.

Hull: **NORMAN** 9, Hoolickin 6, Booth 5, Ferguson 6, Eccleston 5, Richards 5, Marwood 5, Swann 5, Whitehurst 5, Mutrie 6, Deacy 6.

Referee: D. A. Hedges (Headington)

Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 1 (Robinson 74)

BRADFORD CITY (0) 1 (Ingham 72)

Att: 2,255

Aldershot: Johnson 6, Crosby 5, Wooler 4, Briley 7, **YOULDEN** 8, Jopling 4, Lucas 5 (sub. McGregor 5), Scott 6, Sanford 6, Robinson 7, Garwood 7.

Bradford: Ramsbottom 7, Podd 7, Wood 7, Ingham 7, Jackson 6, Thompson 6, **CHAPMAN** 8, Staniforth 7, Campbell 7, McNiven 6, Black 6.

Referee: B. Daniels (Brentwood)

Match Rating: ★★★

BURY (2) 2 (Whitehead 31, Mullen 38)

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Parry 9, Evans 71)

Att: 2,425

Bury: Southall 7, Constantine 7, **WHITEHEAD** 8, Howard 7, Kennedy 6, Gore 5, Cruickshank 5, Jakub 6, Mullen 6, Madden 6, Butler 6.

Tranmere: Johnson 7, Mungall 6, Bramhall 7, **PARRY** 8, Flood 6, Hamilton 7, Evans 6, Griffiths 5, Kelly 5, Beamish 5 (sub. Peplow 6), Kerr 6.

Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)

Match Rating: ★★★

HALIFAX (0) 0

NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Phillips 32)

Att: 1,996

Halifax: Kilner 7, Ward 6, Harris 5, Evans 5, Ayre 6, **CHAMBERS** 8, Firth 7, Graham 6, Allatt 6, Nattrass 6, McIlwraith 6.

Northampton: Poole 6, Saxby 6, Gage 7, Farmer 6, Saunders 6, Denyer 7, Carlton 6 (sub. Sandy 6), Williams 6, **PHILLIPS** 8, Bowen 6, Heeley 7.

Referee: D. Webb (Sale)

Match Rating: ★★

LINCOLN (0) 1 (Hobson 73)

HEREFORD (0) 0

Att: 3,655

Lincoln: Felgate 7, Thompson, T 6, Neale 7, Carr 6, Peake 7, Thompson, S 6, Hibberd 7, Turner 6, **HOBSON** 8, Biggins 6, Shipley 7.

Hereford: Cashley 7, Price 6, Pejic 7, Hicks 7, Cornes 7, **BARTLEY** 8, Harvey 7, Spiring 6, Hunt 7, McGrellis 6, White 7.

Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)

Match Rating: ★★

MANSFIELD (1) 2 (Wood 16, Lumby 76)

ROCHDALE (1) 2 (Hilditch 10, Wellings 58)

Att: 2,597

Mansfield: Sutton 5, McCannet 6, Wood 7, Burrows 5, McClelland 6, Bird 6, Allen 5, **MANN** 8, Caldwell 5, Parkinson 5 (sub. Lumby 6), Thompson 6.

Rochdale: Crawford 6, Jones 6, Snookes 5, Essex 5 (sub. Seal 5), Weir 6, Taylor 7, Wann 5, **O'LOUGHLIN** 8, Hilditch 6, Wellings 6, Martinez 5.

Referee: K. P. Redfern (Whitley Bay)

Match Rating: ★★★

POR Vale (0) 1 (Armstrong 74)

PETERBOROUGH (0) 1 (Cooke 59)

Att: 2,982

Port Vale: Lloyd 6, Higgins 6, Bromage 6, Beech 6, Bowles 6, Sproson 6, Miller 7, **ARMSTRONG** 8, Chamberlain, N 7, Chamberlain, M 7, Bennett 7.

Peterborough: Waugh 6, Winters 6, Phillips 6, **GYNN** 9, Slack 6, Foster 6, Quow 7, Kellock 6, Cooke 7, Hodgson 6, Syrett 6.

Referee: R. Bridges (Deside)

Match Rating: ★★

THE remainder of the Saturday programme will be published in next week's MATCH.

Saudi favourites for Spain

SAUDI Arabia are the favourites from the Asian Group Two to reach the World Cup finals in Spain at the qualifying half-way stage. The Saudis beat Qatar with a goal from Yusaf Khamia, and lead the group with 8 points. Iraq have 6 points, Qatar 4, Bahrain 2 and Syria 0.

★ ★ ★
TWO goals from Bernd Schuster put West Germany level top with Poland of the European Group Seven after a 2-0 defeat of Albania.
★ ★ ★
GREEK star Mavros scored a second-half penalty to ease his

team to a 2-0 win over Luxembourg in Group Five. Only 7,500 fans saw the match played in Luxembourg. Kouis scored the Greeks' opening goal after 37 minutes.

★ ★ ★

QUINI, the kidnapped Spanish international striker and the leader of the Barcelona attack, who was released by his terrorist captors last week, was born in Oviedo on September 23, 1949, and has 30 full international caps.

He signed for Barcelona last summer after 12 highly-successful seasons with Sporting Gijon where he was regularly the leading scorer.

At the time of his kidnap he was Spain's leading league scorer with 18 goals, four ahead of the Uruguayan Morena of Valencia.

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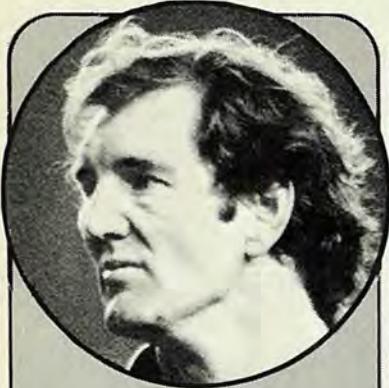
PORTUGAL'S World Cup hopes — they play in the same group as Scotland and N. Ireland — have been boosted by the good form of Jaoa Alves. He is the star Benfica midfielder who always plays in black gloves.

★ ★ ★

MARIO Kempes, the 1978 World Cup's leading scorer, has returned to Argentina. In a deal worth more than £1 million, the long-haired striker left Spanish



First Division championship chasers Valencia and signed for the famous River Plate club.



JOE CORRIGAN MAN CITY

'Billy's an inspiration'

THE sight of Billy Bonds lifting the FA Cup for West Ham last season was an inspiration to all one club men.

There's no doubt if you've spent all your career with one club it means something special to get to Wembley.

It would be a great honour for

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me to represent City in the FA Cup Final and I'd love to do it not only for myself but as a 'thank you' to our supporters who've followed us through thick and thin.

I've no regrets about staying at Maine Road all my career — in fact, I'd love to finish my playing career here.

In some ways that spurs me on and keeps me on my toes. I've three years left of my current contract and if I'm still playing well I hope City offer me another.

We were desperately unlucky to go out of the League Cup in the semi-finals and we're all determined to make amends against Ipswich.

The draw was disappointing for us — especially after we'd done so well to beat Everton in the quarter finals.

But we've got nothing to lose and we'll be taking the game to them. Luckily they're a footballing team like ourselves so on paper it looks to be a good game.

There'll be one or two nerves about and that could swing it on the day at Villa Park.

MICK MILLS IPSWICH

'I'll end my career here'

I CAN'T think of any other team I'd rather play for than Ipswich, and when I finish with them I'll give up the game.

After this season I've got three years of my contract to run but when that expires I don't want to go downhill into the lower divisions.

Ipswich has a bright future and I want to play a part in it.

When I first started playing in the first team we were struggling against relegation and it wasn't much fun but things improved and bar Liverpool I reckon we were the most consistent team of the 1970's.

I had the opportunity of joining both Leeds and Manchester United in 1972-73 but I could see signs of improvement within the team and I'm glad I stayed.

Many people have sympathised with our crowded fixture list — but I'm loving it. At



STEVE PERRYMAN SPURS

'I want to be a coach'

WHEN my contract with Spurs runs out in three years time I'll be leaving White Hart Lane.

I want to become a coach or manager when I finally hang up my boots and I think it's

GEOFF PALMER WOLVES

'Best way to repay them'

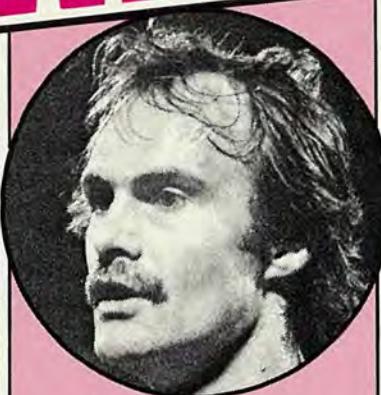
I'D LOVE to help Wolves lift the FA Cup this season and finally lay the ghost of the glorious 1950's team.

People still harp on about the triumphant 1950's side which won the First Division title three times and there's no doubt that puts extra pressure on the players.

When I was a youngster I used to watch Wolves in the days of Peter Knowles and Derek Dougan and I always dreamt of pulling on one of those famous old gold shirts.

I owe a lot to the club — they gave me my big chance in professional football — it would be great to repay them by helping bring back the FA Cup.

ONE CLUB MEN



the beginning of the season we all hoped we'd be in this great position.

There's no doubt that Manchester City will be the worried team at Villa Park in the FA Cup semi-finals — we know that we're the team everyone wanted to avoid.

The only preference we had was a minor one. We'd have liked to have played our semi-final in London.

The only reason for that was because when we last won the FA Cup in 1977-78 we beat West Brom in the semi-final at Highbury — it would have been good to have gone back there.

important that I find out how other clubs are run before I take that step.

Being at Spurs all my career means that my outlook on the game is blinkered because I only know how Spurs run things — I've got to get away to get a different angle on the game.

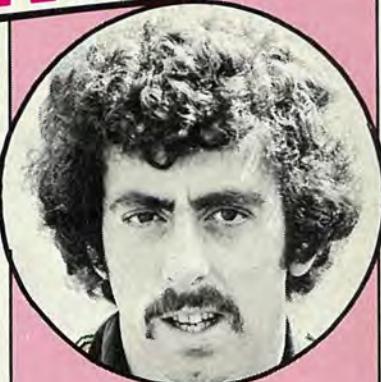
I've had 14 happy years at Tottenham and I'll always be grateful to the club for giving me my big chance.

At the moment all my thoughts are on Saturday's Cup game and helping bring Spurs some success. The last thing we won was the League Cup 1972-73 so we're long overdue.

The team's built up a good understanding this season and I reckon we're geared up for success. The supporters are willing us to win and we'd love to do it for them.

Getting Wolves in the draw was good for us on two counts. We wanted to avoid Ipswich because they're the best team in the country and we didn't want Manchester City because they're our bogey team.

Having said that Wolves is a difficult draw because they're such an experienced Cup team. We'll have to watch their strike force of Gray and Richards and the deadly shooting of Kenny Hibbett.



I've been at Molineux for 10 years and I never want to leave the club — I'd love to finish my career here.

We're determined that we don't freeze in the semi-final — we did against Arsenal at Villa Park in 1979 and it cost us a Wembley place.

Spurs have a suspect defence and I'm sure match-winners like John Richards, Andy Gray and Kenny Hibbett will do their utmost to expose the weaknesses.

NEXT WEEK: Don't miss our FA Cup semi-final picture special.

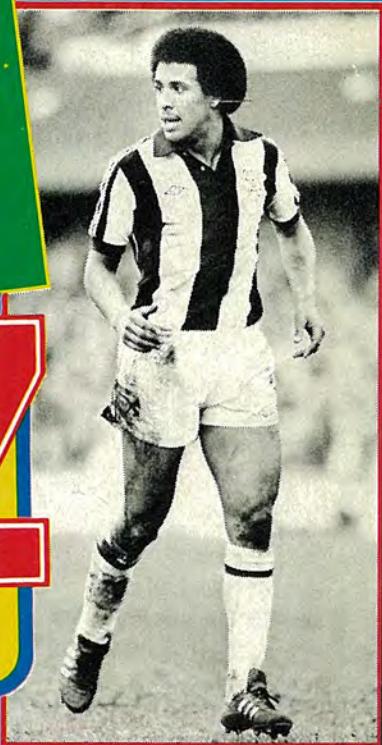


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LEFT: M is for Nottingham Forest's young England prospect Gary Mills.

RIGHT: M is for another future England star from the Midlands, Remi Moses of West Bromwich Albion.

A to Z of soccer



● Soccer's MILLION-pound transfer movers, with Argentina's wonder-boy Diego MARADONA, the world's most expensive following the switch from Argentinos Juniors to Boca Juniors for £4 million.

● MANCHESTER UNITED — England's first European Champions Cup-Winners in 1968, and with seven Division One titles and four FA Cup wins to their name, plus M's like Lou MACARI and Kevin MORAN.

● And of course, there's MAINE-Road based MANCHESTER CITY, who have landed two League titles, four FA Cup and two League Cup wins.

● Men in the middle of controversy, the MANAGERS, for example Alan MULLERY (Brighton), Gordon MILNE (Coventry), Peter MADDEN (Rochdale), Brian MILLER (Burnley), Richie MORGAN (Cardiff), Peter MORRIS (Peterborough), George MULHALL (Bradford) and Colin MURPHY (Lincoln).

● Great players of the past like Sir Stanley MATTHEWS — the first Footballer of the Year in 1947 and who played for Stoke when he was 50 — MORTENSEN, MERCER and MILBURN.

● Bobby MOORE, England's most capped player with 108, who lifted the World Cup at Wembley in 1966.

● Players like MASSEY and MITCHELL of MILLWALL, MANN of MANSFIELD and MAUCHLEN of MORTON.

● MIDDLESBROUGH, whose most capped player was Wilf MANNION and whose record transfer involved the sale of David MILLS to West Brom in 1979.

● A team of Ms: Mellor (Plymouth), Munro (Stoke), May (Leicester), Madeley (Leeds), Money (Liverpool), Muhran (Ipswich), Masson (Notts County), Moses (WBA), Mortimer (Villa), Mariner (Ipswich), Moran (Southampton).

NEXT WEEK: McDermott, McMenemy, McIlroy and many McMore!

Did you know . . .

● John MURRAY was the only player who ever achieved a hat-trick and then was sent off in the same Football League match with Bury against Doncaster Rovers in Division Four on March 31, 1973.

● Arthur MILTON was the last player to become a full England international at both soccer and cricket. When Arsenal's outside-right he played for England against Austria at Wembley in November, 1951, and as a Gloucestershire batsman, scored 104 not out against New Zealand at Leeds in July, 1952, when making his Test cricket debut.